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To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, to establish the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

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Mr. GRAVES (for himself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. EZELL, and Mr. CARBAJAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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Additional sponsor: Mr. WEBSTER of Florida

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A BILL

To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, to establish the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) *SHORT TITLE.*—*This Act may be cited as the*
 5 *“Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025”.*

6 (b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—*The table of contents for*
 7 *this Act is as follows:*

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Commandant defined.

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- Sec. 215. Coast Guard property.*
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- Sec. 245. Authorization for maternity uniform allowance for officers.*
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- Sec. 247. Additional available guidance and considerations for reserve selection boards.*
- Sec. 248. Housing.*
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- Sec. 250. Travel allowance for members of Coast Guard assigned to Alaska.*
- Sec. 251. Tuition Assistance and Advanced Education Assistance Pilot Program.*
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- Sec. 501. Independent review of Coast Guard reforms.*
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- Sec. 510. Definition of covered misconduct.*
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- Sec. 515. Policy relating to care and support of victims of covered misconduct.*
- Sec. 516. Establishment of special victim capabilities to respond to allegations of certain special victim offenses.*
- Sec. 517. Members asserting post-traumatic stress disorder, sexual assault, or traumatic brain injury.*
- Sec. 518. Participation in CATCH a Serial Offender program.*
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- Sec. 522. Review and modification of Coast Guard Academy policy on sexual harassment and sexual violence.*
- Sec. 523. Coast Guard and Coast Guard Academy access to defense sexual assault incident database.*
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- Sec. 526. Inclusion and command review of information on covered misconduct in personnel service records.*
- Sec. 527. Flag officer review of, and concurrence in, separation of members who have reported sexual misconduct.*
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TITLE VI—COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORTS

- Sec. 601. Comptroller General report on Coast Guard research, development, and innovation program.*
- Sec. 602. Comptroller General review of quality and availability of Coast Guard behavioral health care and resources for personnel wellness.*
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- Sec. 604. Comptroller General study on Coast Guard training facility infrastructure.*
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- Sec. 606. Comptroller General report on safety and security infrastructure at Coast Guard Academy.*
- Sec. 607. Comptroller General study and report on permanent change of station process.*

TITLE VII—AMENDMENTS

- Sec. 701. Amendments.*

1 **SEC. 2. COMMANDANT DEFINED.**

2 *In this Act, the term “Commandant” means the Com-*
 3 *mandant of the Coast Guard.*

4 **TITLE I—COAST GUARD**
 5 **Subtitle A—Authorization of**
 6 **Appropriations**

7 **SEC. 101. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

8 *Section 4902 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
 9 *ed—*

10 *(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by*
 11 *striking “fiscal years 2022 and 2023” and inserting*
 12 *“fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029”;*

13 *(2) in paragraph (1)—*

14 *(A) in subparagraph (A) by striking clauses*
 15 *(i) and (ii) and inserting the following:*

16 *“(i) \$11,287,500,000 for fiscal year*
 17 *2025;*

18 *“(ii) \$11,851,875,000 for fiscal year*
 19 *2026;*

20 *“(iii) \$13,500,000,000 for fiscal year*
 21 *2027;*

22 *“(iv) \$14,500,000,000 for fiscal year*
 23 *2028; and*

24 *“(v) \$15,500,000,000 for fiscal year*
 25 *2029.”;*

1 *(B) in subparagraph (B) by striking*
 2 *“\$23,456,000” and inserting “\$25,570,000”; and*

3 *(C) in subparagraph (C) by striking “sub-*
 4 *paragraph (A)(ii), \$24,353,000” and inserting*
 5 *“clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v) of subparagraph*
 6 *(A), respectively, \$26,848,500”;*

7 *(3) in paragraph (2)(A) by striking clauses (i)*
 8 *and (ii) and inserting the following:*

9 *“(i) \$3,627,600,000 for fiscal year*
 10 *2025;*

11 *“(ii) \$3,651,480,000 for fiscal year*
 12 *2026;*

13 *“(iii) \$3,700,000,000 for fiscal year*
 14 *2027;*

15 *“(iv) \$3,750,000,000 for fiscal year*
 16 *2028; and*

17 *“(v) \$3,800,000,000 for fiscal year*
 18 *2029.”;*

19 *(4) in paragraph (3) by striking subparagraphs*
 20 *(A) and (B) and inserting the following:*

21 *“(A) \$15,415,000 for fiscal year 2025;*

22 *“(B) \$67,701,000 for fiscal year 2026;*

23 *“(C) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2027;*

24 *“(D) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2028; and*

1 “(E) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2029.”;

2 and

3 (5) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the
4 following:

5 “(4) For retired pay, including the payment of
6 obligations otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropria-
7 tions for purposes of retired pay, payments under the
8 Retired Serviceman’s Family Protection and Sur-
9 vivor Benefits Plans, payment for career status bo-
10 nuses, payment of continuation pay under section
11 356 of title 37, concurrent receipts, combat-related
12 special compensation, and payments for medical care
13 of retired personnel and their dependents under chap-
14 ter 55 of title 10—

15 “(A) \$1,147,244,000 for fiscal year 2025;

16 “(B) \$1,057,929,000 for fiscal year 2026;

17 “(C) \$1,215,000,000 for fiscal year 2027;

18 “(D) \$1,380,000,000 for fiscal year 2028;

19 and

20 “(E) \$1,650,000,000 for fiscal year 2029.”.

21 **SEC. 102. AUTHORIZED LEVELS OF MILITARY STRENGTH**
22 **AND TRAINING.**

23 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 4904 of title 14, United
24 States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “44,500 for each
2 of fiscal years 2022 and 2023” and inserting “50,000
3 for each of fiscal years 2025 and 2026, 55,000 for fis-
4 cal year 2027, and 60,000 for each of fiscal years
5 2028 and 2029”; and

6 (2) in subsection (b)—

7 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)
8 by striking “for each of fiscal years 2022 and
9 2023”;

10 (B) in paragraph (1) by striking “2,500
11 student years” and inserting “4,000 student
12 years for each of fiscal years 2025 through
13 2029”;

14 (C) in paragraph (2) by striking “165 stu-
15 dent years” and inserting “250 student years for
16 each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029”;

17 (D) in paragraph (3) by striking “385 stu-
18 dent years” and inserting “700 student years for
19 each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029”; and

20 (E) in paragraph (4) by striking “1,200
21 student years” and inserting “1,600 student
22 years for each of fiscal years 2025 through
23 2029”.

24 (b) *REPORTING REQUIREMENT.*—In any fiscal year in
25 which the submission required under section 1105 of title

1 31, *United States Code*, does not include a proportional in-
2 crease in the *Operations and Support* funding under section
3 4902(1)(A) of title 14, *United States Code*, to support the
4 end strengths authorized under the amendments made by
5 subsection (a)—

6 (1) the end strengths shall not exceed the levels
7 authorized in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023;
8 and

9 (2) the Commandant shall provide to the Com-
10 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the
11 House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
12 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
13 report on the plan of the Coast Guard to achieve
14 growth in the Coast Guard's military strength to
15 60,000, which shall include—

16 (A) proposed missions and purposes for the
17 growth of the Coast Guard in military strength;

18 (B) the additional estimated cost of salaries
19 and benefits for each fiscal year from 2027
20 through 2032;

21 (C) estimated recruiting resources and costs
22 for each fiscal year from 2027 through 2032; and

23 (D) estimated resources and costs required
24 to achieve sufficient training capacity for growth

1 *in enlisted and officer corps for each fiscal year*
 2 *from 2027 through 2032.*

3 (c) *RULE OF APPLICABILITY.*—Section 517(a) of title
 4 10, United States Code, shall not apply with respect to the
 5 Coast Guard until October 1, 2027.

6 ***Subtitle B—Accountability***

7 ***SEC. 111. ANNUAL REPORT ON PROGRESS OF CERTAIN*** 8 ***HOMEPORTING PROJECTS.***

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 5102 of title 14, United
 10 States Code, is amended—

11 (1) *by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection*
 12 *(d); and*

13 (2) *by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-*
 14 *lowing:*

15 “(c) *BRIEFING.*—

16 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—If the Commandant fails to
 17 submit the report required under this section, the
 18 Commandant shall brief the Committee on Transpor-
 19 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
 20 tives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
 21 Transportation of the Senate on the steps being taken
 22 to produce the report not less than once every 30 days
 23 until the required report is produced.

1 “(2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*The briefing under para-*
2 *graph (1) shall be made in person and may not be*
3 *delegated by the Commandant.*”.

4 *(b) REPORT.*—

5 *(1) IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 180 days after*
6 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
7 *shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and*
8 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
9 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
10 *tation of the Senate a report on the status of shore*
11 *infrastructure required to homeport or station all sur-*
12 *face and aviation assets to be delivered as part of*
13 *Level 1 or Level 2 acquisitions that have entered the*
14 *obtain phase as authorized under section 1132(b) of*
15 *title 14, United States Code.*

16 *(2) ELEMENTS.*—*The report required under*
17 *paragraph (1) shall include—*

18 *(A) a description of the current homeports*
19 *and stations to which of Coast Guard cutters*
20 *and aircraft are assigned;*

21 *(B) a description of cutters or aircrafts that*
22 *are able to be located by the homeport or station*
23 *to which they are assigned;*

1 (C) the current number of aircraft and cut-
2 ters planned for the program of record of the
3 Coast Guard;

4 (D) a description of cutter and aircraft
5 which are scheduled to be decommissioned or put
6 in special commission status; and

7 (E) a description of where new cutters and
8 aircraft being acquired as part of the program of
9 record of the Coast Guard will be assigned, in-
10 cluding—

11 (i) an assessment of the shoreside and
12 infrastructure needs for such cutters and
13 aircrafts; and

14 (ii) an assessment of whether existing
15 facilities are adequate to support such cut-
16 ter and aircraft, and the costs of planning,
17 engineering, design construction, land ac-
18 quisition, and environmental remediation.

19 (c) *INITIAL REPORT.*—

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after
21 the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant
22 shall issue a report detailing the progress of all ap-
23 proved Coast Guard cutter homeporting projects with-
24 in the Coast Guard Arctic District with respect to
25 each of the following:

1 (A) *Fast Response Cutters.*

2 (B) *Offshore Patrol Cutters.*

3 (C) *The USCGC Storis procured pursuant*
 4 *to section 11223 of the Don Young Coast Guard*
 5 *Authorization Act of 2022 (14 U.S.C. 561 note).*

6 (2) *ELEMENTS.—The report required under*
 7 *paragraph (1) shall include, with respect to each*
 8 *homeporting project described in such paragraph, the*
 9 *following:*

10 (A) *A description of—*

11 (i) *the status of funds appropriated for*
 12 *the project;*

13 (ii) *activities carried out toward com-*
 14 *pletion of the project; and*

15 (iii) *activities anticipated to be carried*
 16 *out during the subsequent 1-year period to*
 17 *advance completion of the project.*

18 (B) *An updated timeline, including key*
 19 *milestones, for the project.*

20 (d) *SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—Not later than July 1 of*
 21 *the first calendar year after the year in which the report*
 22 *required under subsection (c)(1) is submitted, and each*
 23 *July 1 thereafter until July 2, 2031, or the date on which*
 24 *all projects described in subsection (c)(1) are completed, the*
 25 *Commandant shall issue an updated report, with respect*

1 to each Coast Guard cutter homeporting project described
 2 in subsection (b)(1) (including any such project approved
 3 on a date after the date of enactment of this Act and before
 4 the submission of the applicable report), containing each
 5 element described in subsection (b)(2).

6 (c) *REPORT ON CAPACITY OF COAST GUARD BASE*
 7 *KETCHIKAN*.—

8 (1) *IN GENERAL*.—Not later than 90 days after
 9 the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant
 10 shall complete a report detailing the cost of and time
 11 frame for expanding the industrial capacity of Coast
 12 Guard Base Ketchikan to do out of water repairs on
 13 Fast Response Cutters.

14 (2) *REPORT*.—Not later than 120 days after the
 15 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall
 16 submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-
 17 frastructure of the House of Representatives and the
 18 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
 19 tation of the Senate the report required under para-
 20 graph (1).

21 (d) *PUBLIC AVAILABILITY*.—The Commandant shall
 22 publish each report issued under this section on a publicly
 23 accessible website of the Coast Guard.

24 (e) *HOMEPORTING PROJECT DEFINED*.—In this sec-
 25 tion, the term “homeporting project”—

1 (1) means the facility infrastructure modifica-
 2 tions, upgrades, new construction, and real property
 3 and land acquisition associated with homeporting
 4 new or modified cutters; and

5 (2) includes shoreside and waterfront facilities,
 6 cutter maintenance facilities, housing, child develop-
 7 ment facilities, and any other associated infrastruc-
 8 ture directly required as a result of homeporting new
 9 or modified cutters.

10 **SEC. 112. MAJOR ACQUISITIONS.**

11 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 5103 of title 14, United
 12 States Code, is amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “major acquisi-
 14 tion programs” and inserting “Level 1 acquisitions or
 15 Level 2 acquisitions”;

16 (2) in subsection (b) by striking “major acquisi-
 17 tion program” and inserting “Level 1 acquisition or
 18 Level 2 acquisition”; and

19 (3) by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:
 20 “(f) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

21 “(1) *LEVEL 1 ACQUISITION.*—The term ‘Level 1
 22 acquisition’ has the meaning given such term in sec-
 23 tion 1171.

1 “(2) *LEVEL 2 ACQUISITION*.—The term ‘Level 2
2 *acquisition*’ has the meaning given such term in sec-
3 *tion 1171*.”.

4 (b) *MAJOR ACQUISITION PROGRAM RISK ASSESS-*
5 *MENT*.—Section 5107 of title 14, United States Code, is
6 amended by striking “section 5103(f)” and inserting “sec-
7 *tion 1171*”.

8 **SEC. 113. QUARTERLY ACQUISITION BRIEF REQUIREMENTS.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Section 5107 of title 14, United
10 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

11 **“§5107. Quarterly acquisition reports and major ac-**
12 **quisition program risk assessment**

13 “(a) *IN GENERAL*.—Not later than 45 days after the
14 end of each fiscal quarter, the Commandant shall provide
15 to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
16 the House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
17 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a briefing
18 on all Level 1 and Level 2 acquisition programs, as such
19 terms are defined in section 1171.

20 “(b) *ADDITIONAL BRIEFING*.—Not later than 1 week
21 before taking procurement actions that will significantly
22 impact the costs or timelines of a Level 1 or Level 2 acquisi-
23 tion program, the Commandant shall brief the committees
24 described in subsection (a).

1 “(c) *ELEMENTS.*—*Each briefing required under sub-*
2 *section (a) or (b) shall include, for each program—*

3 “(1) *a description of the purpose of the program,*
4 *including the capabilities being acquired;*

5 “(2) *the total number of units, as appropriate,*
6 *to be acquired annually until procurement is com-*
7 *plete under the current acquisition program baseline;*

8 “(3) *the Acquisition Review Board status, in-*
9 *cluding—*

10 “(A) *the current acquisition phase by incre-*
11 *ment, as applicable;*

12 “(B) *the date of the most recent review; and*

13 “(C) *whether the program has been paused*
14 *or is in breach status;*

15 “(4) *a comparison between the initial Depart-*
16 *ment-approved acquisition program baseline cost,*
17 *schedule, and performance thresholds and objectives*
18 *and the current such thresholds and objectives of the*
19 *program, if applicable;*

20 “(5) *the lifecycle cost estimate, adjusted for com-*
21 *parison to the Future Coast Guard Program, includ-*
22 *ing—*

23 “(A) *the confidence level for the estimate;*

24 “(B) *the fiscal years included in the esti-*
25 *mate;*

1 “(C) a breakout of the estimate for the prior
2 five years, the current year, and the budget year;

3 “(D) a breakout of the estimate by appro-
4 priation account or other funding source; and

5 “(E) a description of and rationale for any
6 changes to the estimate as compared to the pre-
7 viously approved baseline, as applicable, and
8 during the prior fiscal year;

9 “(6) a summary of the findings of any inde-
10 pendent verification and validation of the items to be
11 acquired or an explanation for why no such
12 verification and validation has been performed;

13 “(7) a table displaying the obligation of all pro-
14 gram funds by prior fiscal year, the estimated obliga-
15 tion of funds for the current fiscal year, and an esti-
16 mate for the planned carryover of funds into the sub-
17 sequent fiscal year;

18 “(8) a listing of prime contractors and major
19 subcontractors; and

20 “(9) narrative descriptions of risks to cost, sched-
21 ule, or performance that could result in a program
22 breach if not successfully mitigated, including—

23 “(A) the current risks to such program;

24 “(B) any failure of such program to dem-
25 onstrate a key performance parameter or thresh-

1 *old during operational test and evaluation con-*
2 *ducted during the previous fiscal year;*

3 *“(C) whether there has been any decision in*
4 *such fiscal year to order full-rate production be-*
5 *fore all key performance parameters or thresholds*
6 *are met;*

7 *“(D) whether there has been any breach of*
8 *major acquisition program cost (as such term is*
9 *defined in the manual of the Coast Guard titled*
10 *‘Major Systems Acquisition Manual’*
11 *(COMDTINST M5000.10C)) in such fiscal year;*
12 *and*

13 *“(E) whether there has been any breach of*
14 *major acquisition program schedule (as such*
15 *term is defined in the manual of the Coast*
16 *Guard titled ‘Major Systems Acquisition Man-*
17 *ual’ (COMDTINST M5000.10C)) during such*
18 *fiscal year.*

19 *“(d) MEMORANDUM DEADLINE.—Not later than 5*
20 *business days after the date on which the Secretary ap-*
21 *proves an Acquisition Decision Memorandum for programs*
22 *described in this section, the Commandant shall submit*
23 *such memorandum to the Committee on Transportation*
24 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*

1 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
 2 *the Senate.”.*

3 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 4 *51 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by striking*
 5 *the item relating to section 5107 and inserting the fol-*
 6 *lowing:*

“5107. Quarterly acquisition reports and major acquisition program risk assess-
ment.”.

7 ***SEC. 114. OVERDUE REPORTS.***

8 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Chapter 51 of title 14, United*
 9 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:*

10 ***“§ 5116. Status of overdue reports***

11 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the*
 12 *date of enactment of this section, and not later than March*
 13 *1 of each year thereafter, the Commandant shall submit to*
 14 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
 15 *House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,*
 16 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report on the*
 17 *status of reports or briefings required under this chapter*
 18 *that have not been delivered to Congress.*

19 *“(b) CONTENTS.—The report required under section*
 20 *(a) shall contain the following:*

21 *“(1) The status of each required report or brief-*
 22 *ing that has not been delivered to Congress, including*
 23 *the date the report or briefing is due, and if applica-*

1 *ble, the number of days the Coast Guard has exceeded*
 2 *the required completion date.*

3 *“(2) A plan and timeline for the next steps to be*
 4 *taken to complete such outstanding reports or brief-*
 5 *ings.*

6 *“(3) The name of the flag officer responsible for*
 7 *the completion of each report or briefing.*

8 *“(c) BRIEFING.—*

9 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Commandant fails to*
 10 *submit the report required under this section, the*
 11 *Commandant shall brief the Committee on Transpor-*
 12 *tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*
 13 *tives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
 14 *Transportation of the Senate on the steps being taken*
 15 *to produce the report not less than once every 30 days*
 16 *until the required report is produced.*

17 *“(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The briefing under para-*
 18 *graph (1) shall be made in person and may not be*
 19 *delegated by the Commandant.”.*

20 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 21 *51 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding*
 22 *at the end the following:*

“5116. Status of overdue reports.”.

1 **SEC. 115. REQUIREMENT FOR COAST GUARD TO PROVIDE**
2 **ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES FOR AIRCRAFT.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 6 months after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit
5 to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
6 the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,
7 Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report
8 on the status of the implementation of the recommendations
9 contained in the report of the Government Accountability
10 Office titled “Aircraft Fleet and Aviation Workforce Assess-
11 ments Needed,” and issued April 9, 2024 (GAO–24–
12 106374).

13 (b) *CONTENTS.*—The report required under section (a)
14 shall contain the following:

15 (1) *An assessment of the type of helicopters the*
16 *Coast Guard requires to meet the mission demands of*
17 *the Coast Guard.*

18 (2) *An analysis of alternatives, including an an-*
19 *alytical study comparing the operational effectiveness,*
20 *costs, and risks to determine the best suited aircraft*
21 *to meet mission needs.*

22 (3) *A fleet mix analysis to identify the necessary*
23 *number of helicopters to meet the mission needs of the*
24 *Coast Guard across all districts.*

25 (c) *LIMITATION OF AIRCRAFT EXPENSES.*—No funds
26 authorized to be appropriated under section 4902(2)(A) of

1 *title 14, United States Code (as added by section*
 2 *101(3)(A)), may be obligated or expended in fiscal years*
 3 *2027 through 2029 for the procurement or modernization*
 4 *of helicopters until the Commandant submits the report re-*
 5 *quired under this section.*

6 *(d) MINIMUM ROTARY WING FLEET.—*

7 *(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall main-*
 8 *tain an operational, geographically dispersed rotary*
 9 *wing fleet of not less than 140 aircraft for the purpose*
 10 *of meeting minimum operational capabilities until*
 11 *the Commandant submits the report required under*
 12 *this section.*

13 *(2) REPORT.—In the event the operational ro-*
 14 *tary wing fleet of the Coast Guard falls below the re-*
 15 *quirements of this subsection, the Commandant shall*
 16 *provide to the Committee on Transportation and In-*
 17 *frastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
 18 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
 19 *tation of the Senate a notification not later than 5*
 20 *business days after the inability of the Commandant*
 21 *to meet the requirement.*

22 **SEC. 116. OVERSIGHT OF FUNDS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO**
 23 **PUBLIC LAW 119-21.**

24 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant may not expend*
 25 *or obligate funds—*

1 (1) appropriated pursuant to Public Law 119–
2 21 during any fiscal year in which the Commandant
3 is not compliant with sections 5102 and 5103 (ex-
4 cluding section 5103(e)) of title 14, United States
5 Code; and

6 (2) that are provided in Public Law 119–21
7 until the Commandant provides the report required
8 under section 11217 of the James M. Inhofe National
9 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Pub-
10 lic Law 117–263) to the Committee on Transpor-
11 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
12 tives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
13 Transportation of the Senate.

14 (b) *NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.*—Not less than 1
15 week before taking any procurement action impacting esti-
16 mated costs or timelines for acquisitions or procurements
17 appropriated pursuant to Public Law 119–21, the Com-
18 mandant shall notify the Committee on Transportation and
19 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
20 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
21 Senate of such action.

22 (c) *EXPENDITURE PLAN.*—Not later than 90 days after
23 the date of enactment of Public Law 119–21, the Com-
24 mandant shall submit to the Committee on Transportation
25 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the

1 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
2 *the Senate a detailed expenditure plan, including projected*
3 *project time lines for each acquisition and procurement ap-*
4 *propriated under such Act and a list of project locations*
5 *to be funded under such Act.*

6 (d) *EXCEPTION.—If the President authorizes an excep-*
7 *tion under section 1151(b) of title 14, United States Code,*
8 *for any Coast Guard vessel, or the hull or superstructure*
9 *of such vessel for which funds are appropriated under Pub-*
10 *lic Law 119–21, no such funds shall be obligated until the*
11 *President submits to the Committee on Transportation and*
12 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-*
13 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
14 *Senate a written explanation of the circumstances requiring*
15 *such an exception in the national security interest, includ-*
16 *ing—*

17 (1) *a confirmation that there are insufficient*
18 *qualified United States shipyards to meet the na-*
19 *tional security interest without such exception; and*

20 (2) *actions taken by the President to enable*
21 *qualified United States shipyards to meet national se-*
22 *curity requirements prior to the issuance of such an*
23 *exception.*

24 (e) *CERTIFICATIONS AND CLASSIFICATION.—Notwith-*
25 *standing Public Law 119–21, the Commandant shall ensure*

1 *any cutters or aircraft procured with appropriations made*
 2 *available by such Act meet the requirements of section*
 3 *1133(c) of title 14, United States Code.*

4 **SEC. 117. REGULAR POLAR SECURITY CUTTER UPDATES.**

5 *(a) REPORT.—*

6 *(1) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120*
 7 *days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
 8 *mandant and the Chief of Naval Operations shall*
 9 *submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-*
 10 *frastructure of the House of Representatives, the Com-*
 11 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
 12 *the Senate, and the Committees on Armed Services of*
 13 *the Senate and the House of Representatives a report*
 14 *on the status of acquisition of Polar Security Cutters.*

15 *(2) ELEMENTS.—The report under paragraph*
 16 *(1) shall include—*

17 *(A) a detailed timeline for the acquisition*
 18 *process of Polar Security Cutters, including ex-*
 19 *pected milestones and a projected commissioning*
 20 *date for the first 3 Polar Security Cutters;*

21 *(B) an accounting of the previously appro-*
 22 *priated funds spent to date on the Polar Secu-*
 23 *rity Cutter Program, updated cost projections for*
 24 *Polar Security Cutters, and projections for when*
 25 *additional funds will be required;*

1 (C) *potential factors and risks that could*
 2 *further delay or imperil the completion of Polar*
 3 *Security Cutters; and*

4 (D) *a review of the acquisition of Polar Se-*
 5 *curity Cutters to date, including factors that led*
 6 *to substantial cost overruns and delivery delays.*

7 (b) *BRIEFINGS.—*

8 (1) *PROVISION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90*
 9 *days after the submission of the report under sub-*
 10 *section (a), and not less frequently than every 90 days*
 11 *thereafter, the Commandant and the Chief of Naval*
 12 *Operations shall provide to the Committee on Trans-*
 13 *portation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-*
 14 *resentatives, the Committee on Commerce, Science,*
 15 *and Transportation of the Senate, and the Commit-*
 16 *tees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House*
 17 *of Representatives a briefing on the status of the*
 18 *Polar Security Cutter acquisition process until Polar*
 19 *Security Cutter 2 achieves full operational capability.*

20 (2) *TIMELINE.—The briefings under paragraph*
 21 *(1) shall occur after any key milestone in the Polar*
 22 *Security Cutter acquisition process, but not less fre-*
 23 *quently than every 90 days.*

24 (3) *ELEMENTS.—Each briefing under paragraph*
 25 *(1) shall include—*

1 (A) a summary of acquisition progress since
 2 the most recent previous briefing conducted pur-
 3 suant to paragraph (1);

4 (B) an updated timeline and budget esti-
 5 mate for acquisition and building of pending
 6 Polar Security Cutters; and

7 (C) an explanation of any delays or addi-
 8 tional costs incurred in the acquisition progress.

9 (c) NOTIFICATIONS.—In addition to the briefings re-
 10 quired under subsection (b), the Commandant and the Chief
 11 of Naval Operations shall notify the Committee on Trans-
 12 portation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
 13 tives, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
 14 tation of the Senate, and the Committees on Armed Services
 15 of the Senate and the House of Representatives within 3
 16 business days of any significant change to the scope or fund-
 17 ing level of the Polar Security Cutter acquisition strategy
 18 of such change.

19 **SEC. 118. ANNUAL PLAN FOR COAST GUARD OPERATIONS**
 20 **IN THE PACIFIC.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 51 of title 14, United
 22 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“§5116. Annual plan for Coast Guard operations in**
2 **the Pacific**

3 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than December 31, 2025,
4 *and annually thereafter, the Commandant of the Coast*
5 *Guard, in consultation with the Secretary of State and Sec-*
6 *retary of Defense, shall submit to the appropriate congres-*
7 *sional committees a plan for Coast Guard operations in the*
8 *Pacific region for the year after the year during which the*
9 *plan is submitted. Such plan shall include, for the year cov-*
10 *ered by the plan, each of the following elements:*

11 “(1) *A list of objectives for Coast Guard engage-*
12 *ment in the Pacific region in support of Department*
13 *of State and Department of Defense missions.*

14 “(2) *An assessment of the capabilities of the*
15 *Coast Guard to support Department of State and De-*
16 *partment of Defense missions in the Pacific region.*

17 “(3) *A list of any areas in the Pacific region*
18 *where an increased Coast Guard presence would bet-*
19 *ter support Department of State and Department of*
20 *Defense missions.*

21 “(4) *The projected demand for Coast Guard en-*
22 *gagement in the Pacific region from the Department*
23 *of State and the Department of Defense for the year*
24 *covered by the plan and the subsequent 10 years.*

1 “(5) *An assessment of whether the Coast Guard*
2 *will be able to meet such projected demand for the*
3 *year covered by the plan, including—*

4 “(A) *a list of any factors limiting the abil-*
5 *ity of the Coast Guard to meet such projected de-*
6 *mand; and*

7 “(B) *an analysis of the location from which*
8 *any Coast Guard assets used to carry out mis-*
9 *sions in the Pacific, in addition to assets avail-*
10 *able in the year prior to the year in which the*
11 *plan is submitted, will be transferred and any*
12 *associated gaps in Coast Guard mission coverage*
13 *any such transfers will create.*

14 “(6) *A summary of the resources needed for the*
15 *Coast Guard to meet such projected demand for the*
16 *year covered by the plan, including—*

17 “(A) *staff;*

18 “(B) *infrastructure, including shore infra-*
19 *structure;*

20 “(C) *administrative and logistical support;*
21 *and*

22 “(D) *technology.*

23 “(7) *Any other matter as determined relevant by*
24 *the Commandant.*

1 “(b) *FORM.*—Each plan under subsection (a) shall be
2 submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified
3 annex.

4 “(c) *BRIEFING REQUIRED.*—Not later than February
5 15, 2026, and annually thereafter, the Commandant shall
6 provide to the appropriate congressional committees a brief-
7 ing on the annual plan required under subsection (a) sub-
8 mitted during the preceding year.

9 “(d) *APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-*
10 *FINED.*—In this section, the term ‘appropriate congres-
11 sional committees’ means—

12 “(1) the Committee on Transportation and In-
13 frastructure of the House of Representatives;

14 “(2) the Committee on Appropriations of the
15 House of Representatives;

16 “(3) the Committee on Armed Services of the
17 House of Representatives;

18 “(4) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
19 Transportation of the Senate;

20 “(5) the Committee on Appropriations of the
21 Senate; and

22 “(6) the Committee on Armed Services of the
23 Senate.

1 **“§ 5117. Annual budget display for Coast Guard oper-**
2 **ations in the Pacific**

3 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than February 15, 2026,
4 *and annually thereafter, the Commandant of the Coast*
5 *Guard shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-*
6 *mittees a detailed budget display for Coast Guard oper-*
7 *ations in the Pacific region for the fiscal year after the fis-*
8 *cal year during which the budget display is submitted. The*
9 *Commandant shall base such budget display on the pro-*
10 *jected demand for Coast Guard engagement in the Pacific*
11 *region as identified in the most recent annual plan devel-*
12 *oped under section 5116 of this title. Such budget display*
13 *shall include, for the year covered by the budget display,*
14 *the following information:*

15 “(1) *With respect to procurement accounts,*
16 *amounts displayed by account, budget activity, line*
17 *number, line item, and line item title.*

18 “(2) *With respect to research, development, test,*
19 *and evaluation accounts, amounts displayed by ac-*
20 *count, budget activity, line number, program element,*
21 *and program element title.*

22 “(3) *With respect to operation and maintenance*
23 *accounts, amounts displayed by account title, budget*
24 *activity title, line number, and subactivity group*
25 *title.*

1 “(4) *With respect to military personnel accounts,*
 2 *amounts displayed by account, budget activity, budget*
 3 *subactivity, and budget subactivity title.*

4 “(b) *FORM.—Each display under subsection (a) shall*
 5 *be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classi-*
 6 *fied annex.*

7 “(c) *BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than February*
 8 *15, 2026, and annually thereafter, the Commandant shall*
 9 *provide to the appropriate congressional committees a brief-*
 10 *ing on the budget display required by subsection (a) for the*
 11 *fiscal year after the fiscal year during which the briefing*
 12 *is provided.*

13 “(d) *APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-*
 14 *FINED.—In this section, the term ‘appropriate congres-*
 15 *sional committees’ has the meaning given such term in sec-*
 16 *tion 5116.’.*

17 “(b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 18 *51 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding*
 19 *at the end the following:*

 “5116. *Annual plan for Coast Guard operations in the Pacific.*

 “5117. *Annual budget display for Coast Guard operations in the Pacific.’.*

1 **TITLE II—ORGANIZATION, AU-**
 2 **THORITIES, ACQUISITION,**
 3 **AND PERSONNEL OF THE**
 4 **COAST GUARD**

5 ***Subtitle A—Organization***

6 **SEC. 201. SECRETARY OF THE COAST GUARD.**

7 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 102 of title 14, United
 8 States Code, is repealed.

9 (b) *TRANSFER.*—Section 888(a) of Public Law 107–
 10 296 is transferred to appear after section 101 of title 14,
 11 United States Code, redesignated as section 102, and
 12 amended to read as follows:

13 **“§ 102. Primary duties**

14 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Coast Guard shall administer
 15 laws, promulgate and enforce regulations, and engage in
 16 operations and activities, with due regard to the require-
 17 ments of national defense, in support of the following:

18 “(1) *NON-HOMELAND SECURITY MISSIONS.*—

19 “(A) *MARINE SAFETY.*—Engage in oceano-
 20 graphic research, ensure the safe operation of
 21 and facilitate the economical movement of goods
 22 through the Marine Transportation System, and
 23 develop, establish, maintain, and operate rescue
 24 facilities for the promotion of safety on, under,
 25 and over the high seas and waters subject to the

1 *jurisdiction of the United States and protect the*
2 *lives and safety of those on the sea.*

3 “(B) *SEARCH AND RESCUE.*—Respond to
4 *maritime disasters, natural or man-made, and*
5 *render aid to people in distress to protect the*
6 *lives and promote the safety of life and property*
7 *on, under, and over the high seas and waters*
8 *subject to the jurisdiction of the United States,*
9 *covering all matters not specifically delegated by*
10 *law to some other executive department.*

11 “(C) *AIDS TO NAVIGATION.*—Develop, estab-
12 *lish, maintain and operate aids to maritime*
13 *navigation to promote the safe operation of the*
14 *Marine Transportation System, pursuant to sub-*
15 *chapter III of chapter 5, on, under, and over the*
16 *high seas and waters subject to the jurisdiction*
17 *of the United States.*

18 “(D) *LIVING MARINE RESOURCES (FISH-*
19 *ERIES LAW ENFORCEMENT).*—Safeguard fish and
20 *wildlife, including threatened and endangered*
21 *species, from unlawful acts and environmental*
22 *degradation under, and over the high seas and*
23 *waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United*
24 *States.*

1 “(E) *MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTEC-*
2 *TION.—Safeguard United States marine re-*
3 *sources and the ocean from unlawful acts and*
4 *environmental degradation on, under, and over*
5 *the high seas and waters subject to the jurisdic-*
6 *tion of the United States.*

7 “(F) *ICE OPERATIONS.—Develop, establish,*
8 *maintain, and operate icebreaking facilities on,*
9 *under, and over waters other than the high seas*
10 *and waters subject to the jurisdiction of the*
11 *United States.*

12 “(2) *HOMELAND SECURITY MISSIONS.—*

13 “(A) *PORTS, WATERWAYS AND COASTAL SE-*
14 *CURITY.—Conduct maritime recovery operations*
15 *in the aftermath of incidents of national signifi-*
16 *cance to ensure the continuity of commerce and*
17 *critical port and waterway functions, protect the*
18 *United States maritime domain and the Marine*
19 *Transportation System, and deny the use and*
20 *exploitation of the maritime domain as a means*
21 *for attacks on United States territory, popu-*
22 *lation, vessels, and critical infrastructure.*

23 “(B) *DRUG INTERDICTION.—Engage in*
24 *maritime air surveillance or maritime interdic-*
25 *tion to enforce or assist in the enforcement of*

1 *laws of the United States regarding controlled*
2 *substances on, under, and over the high seas and*
3 *waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United*
4 *States.*

5 “(C) *MIGRANT INTERDICTION.*—*Engage in*
6 *maritime air surveillance or maritime interdic-*
7 *tion of the maritime border and approaches to*
8 *enforce or assist in the enforcement of laws of the*
9 *United States, including the immigration laws*
10 *of the United States on, under, and over the high*
11 *seas and waters subject to the jurisdiction of the*
12 *United States.*

13 “(D) *DEFENSE READINESS.*—*Defend United*
14 *States national interests in the maritime domain*
15 *against hostile acts through military action, and*
16 *maintain a state of readiness to assist in the de-*
17 *fense of the United States, including when func-*
18 *tioning as a specialized service in the Navy pur-*
19 *suant to section 103.*

20 “(E) *OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT.*—*Enforce*
21 *or assist in the enforcement of all applicable*
22 *Federal laws on, under, and over the high seas*
23 *and waters subject to the jurisdiction of the*
24 *United States.*

1 “(b) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this sec-*
 2 *tion shall be construed to limit the powers authorized in*
 3 *chapter 5.”.*

4 (c) *SECTION 888.*—*Section 888 of Public Law 107–*
 5 *296 is amended—*

6 (1) *in subsection (d)—*

7 (A) *by striking “No mission” and inserting*
 8 *“No primary duty described in section 102 of*
 9 *title 14, United States Code,”;*

10 (B) *by inserting “, whether requested or*
 11 *tasked by the Department on behalf of another*
 12 *agency or requested by another agency,” after*
 13 *“Department”; and*

14 (C) *by striking “missions.” and inserting*
 15 *“such duties.”; and*

16 (2) *in subsection (e) by striking paragraph (1)*
 17 *and inserting the following:*

18 “(1) *PROHIBITION.*—*Except as specified in sub-*
 19 *sequent Acts, the Secretary—*

20 “(A) *may not substantially or significantly*
 21 *reduce—*

22 “(i) *the primary duties of the Coast*
 23 *Guard described in section 102 of title 14,*
 24 *United States Code; or*

1 “(ii) the capability of the Coast Guard
2 to perform such duties; and

3 “(B) shall ensure the preservation and exe-
4 cution of such duties.”.

5 (d) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.*—

6 (1) *MEMBERS ASSERTING POST-TRAUMATIC*
7 *STRESS DISORDER OR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY.*—
8 Section 2516 of title 14, United States Code, is
9 amended—

10 (A) in subsection (a) by inserting “de-
11 scribed in section 102” after “Coast Guard oper-
12 ations”; and

13 (B) by striking subsection (d).

14 (2) *CLARIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERS*
15 *OF COAST GUARD FOR COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL*
16 *COMPENSATION.*—Section 221 of the Coast Guard Au-
17 thorization Act of 2016 (10 U.S.C. 1413a note) is
18 amended by striking “section 888(a) of the Homeland
19 Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 468(a))” and insert-
20 ing “section 102 of title 14, United States Code”.

21 (e) *PLAN.*—

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Prior to the President imple-
23 menting section 201 of title 14, United States Code,
24 as amended by this Act, and appointing a Secretary
25 of the Coast Guard, the Commandant, in coordina-

1 *tion with the Secretary of the Department in which*
2 *the Coast Guard is operating, shall—*

3 *(A) develop a plan on the structure, feasi-*
4 *bility of the Secretary of the Coast Guard posi-*
5 *tion and the reorganization and restructuring of*
6 *the Coast Guard needed to incorporate the new*
7 *position; and*

8 *(B) submit such plan to the Committee on*
9 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House*
10 *of Representatives and the Committee of Com-*
11 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Sen-*
12 *ate.*

13 *(2) CONTENTS.—The plan required under para-*
14 *graph (1) shall include—*

15 *(A) a complete organizational chart, to in-*
16 *clude the creation of the Office of the Secretary*
17 *of the Coast Guard and the directorates that re-*
18 *port to the Commandant of the Coast Guard;*

19 *(B) a description of each new position cre-*
20 *ated within the Office of the Secretary;*

21 *(C) a description of the offices and policies*
22 *which each new position would be responsible for*
23 *and how those offices would interact with the of-*
24 *fices of the Commandant;*

1 (D) a delineation of powers reserved for the
2 Commandant, outside of current statutory au-
3 thorizations, not previously reserved or delegated;

4 (E) a transition plan to ensure the con-
5 tinuity of the execution of all Coast Guard mis-
6 sions; and

7 (F) recommendations for statutory and leg-
8 islative changes.

9 (f) REVIEW OF PLAN.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall pro-
11 vide the plan developed in subsection (e) to the Comp-
12 troller General of the United States.

13 (2) REPORT.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months
15 after the transmission of the plan prepared
16 under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General
17 shall review such plan and provide recommenda-
18 tions to the Commandant in a report.

19 (B) CONTENTS.—The report shall include—

20 (i) a compilation of the responsibilities
21 and duties assigned to the Commandant of
22 the Coast Guard and the Secretary of the
23 department in which the Coast Guard is op-
24 erating, and potential responsibilities and

1 *duties that can be moved to the Secretary of*
2 *the Coast Guard;*

3 *(ii) a detailed list of all responsibilities*
4 *and duties assigned to the Commandant*
5 *and the Secretary of the department in*
6 *which the Coast Guard is operating, and*
7 *how those duties overlap or remain distinct;*

8 *(iii) a detailed analysis of the respon-*
9 *sibilities in clause (i) that should be reas-*
10 *signed or delegated to the Secretary of the*
11 *Coast Guard and the Commandant of the*
12 *Coast Guard;*

13 *(iv) a detailed analysis of the proper*
14 *separation and oversight of duties in the*
15 *chain of command between the Secretary,*
16 *the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and the*
17 *Commandant of the Coast Guard;*

18 *(v) an analysis of the feasibility of the*
19 *reorganization of the service in order to pre-*
20 *serve the integrity of the military chain of*
21 *command;*

22 *(vi) a comparison to the structure and*
23 *authorities of other service Secretaries, in-*
24 *cluding but not limited to the Secretary of*
25 *the Navy, and whether the proposed appli-*

1 *cation to the Coast Guard is appropriate;*
2 *and*
3 *(vii) other matters deemed relevant by*
4 *the Comptroller General.*

5 *(3) SUBMISSION.—The Comptroller General shall*
6 *provide to the Committee on Transportation and In-*
7 *frastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
8 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
9 *tation of the Senate the report developed pursuant to*
10 *paragraph (2).*

11 *(4) RESPONSES.—In addition to the plan and*
12 *report, the Commandant shall provide responses to*
13 *the recommendations in the report under paragraph*
14 *(2) to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*
15 *structure of the House of Representatives and the*
16 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
17 *tation of the Senate to include—*

18 *(A) a description of the recommendations*
19 *that the service intends to implement;*

20 *(B) a justification for each recommendation*
21 *that the service does not intend to implement;*
22 *and*

23 *(C) an implementation strategy and*
24 *timeline.*

4 (2) *by inserting after section 105 the following:*

6 *“In this title, the term ‘Secretary of the Coast Guard’*
7 *means the Secretary of the Coast Guard established in sec-*
8 *tion 201.”; and*

9 (3) by inserting after section 107, as so redesign-
10 nated, the following:

11 **“CHAPTER 2—SECRETARY OF THE COAST**
12 **GUARD**

13 ***“§201. Secretary of the Coast Guard***

15 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*There is a Secretary of the*
16 *Coast Guard, appointed from civilian life by the*
17 *President, by and with the advice and consent of the*
18 *Senate.*

19 “(2) NOT OPERATING AS A SERVICE IN THE
20 NAVY.—Subject to section 103(c) of Public Law 107–
21 296 and when the Coast Guard is not operating as
22 a service in the Navy, the Secretary of the Coast
23 Guard shall report directly to the Secretary without
24 being required to report through any other official of

1 *the department in which the Coast Guard is oper-*
2 *ating. The Secretary of the Coast Guard shall not be*
3 *required to report to any other position in the depart-*
4 *ment in which the Coast Guard is operating, military*
5 *or civilian, including any other under secretaries, or*
6 *assistant secretaries.*

7 “(3) *QUALIFICATION.*—*The Secretary of the*
8 *Coast Guard shall, to the greatest extent practicable,*
9 *be appointed from among persons most highly quali-*
10 *fied for the position by reason of background and ex-*
11 *perience, including persons with appropriate manage-*
12 *ment or leadership experience.*

13 “(4) *DISQUALIFICATION.*—*A person may not be*
14 *appointed as Secretary of the Coast Guard within 7*
15 *years after relief from active duty as a commissioned*
16 *officer of a regular component of an armed force.*

17 “(b) *POWERS.*—

18 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subject to the authority, di-*
19 *rection, and control of the Secretary, the Secretary of*
20 *the Coast Guard shall exercise the powers of the Sec-*
21 *retary in this title, except as may be reserved by the*
22 *Secretary and reserved for the Commandant pursuant*
23 *to sections 504 and 505.*

24 “(2) *AUTHORITY.*—

1 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of the*
2 *Coast Guard is responsible for and has the au-*
3 *thority necessary to conduct all affairs of the*
4 *Coast Guard.*

5 “(B) *AUTHORITIES AND FUNCTIONS.*—*Not-*
6 *withstanding any other provision of law, the au-*
7 *thorities and functions prescribed in paragraphs*
8 *(2) through (5) of section 701(a) of Public Law*
9 *107–296 as such authorities and functions per-*
10 *tain to the Coast Guard shall be reserved for the*
11 *Secretary of the Coast Guard.*

12 “(3) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—*Subject to the author-*
13 *ity, direction, and control of the Secretary, the Sec-*
14 *retary of the Coast Guard is also responsible to the*
15 *Secretary for—*

16 “(A) *the functioning and efficiency of the*
17 *Coast Guard;*

18 “(B) *the formulation of policies and pro-*
19 *grams by the Coast Guard that are fully con-*
20 *sistent with national security objectives and poli-*
21 *cies established by the President or the Secretary;*

22 “(C) *the effective and timely implementa-*
23 *tion of policy, program, and budget decisions*
24 *and instructions of the President or the Sec-*

1 *retary relating to the functions of the Coast*
2 *Guard;*

3 *“(D) carrying out the functions of the Coast*
4 *Guard so as to fulfill the current and future*
5 *operational requirements of the unified and spec-*
6 *ified combatant commands;*

7 *“(E) effective cooperation and coordination*
8 *between the Coast Guard and the other military*
9 *departments and agencies of the Department of*
10 *Defense with regards to defense readiness mis-*
11 *sions to provide for more effective, efficient, and*
12 *economical administration and to eliminate du-*
13 *plication;*

14 *“(F) the presentation and justification of*
15 *the positions of the Coast Guard on the plans,*
16 *programs, and policies of the Department in*
17 *which the Coast Guard is operating;*

18 *“(G) the effective supervision and control of*
19 *the intelligence activities of the Coast Guard;*
20 *and*

21 *“(H) such other activities and duties as*
22 *may be prescribed by law or by the President or*
23 *Secretary, in directing the Coast Guard.*

24 *“(4) RECOMMENDATIONS.—After first informing*
25 *the Secretary, the Secretary of the Coast Guard may*

1 *make such recommendations to appropriate congres-*
 2 *sional committees, as defined in section 1171, as the*
 3 *Secretary of the Coast Guard considers appropriate.*

4 “(5) *ASSIGNMENT OF FUNCTIONS, POWERS, AND*
 5 *DUTIES.—*

6 “(A) *DELEGATION.—*

7 “(i) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of*
 8 *the Coast Guard may assign such of the*
 9 *functions, powers, and duties as the Sec-*
 10 *retary of the Coast Guard considers appro-*
 11 *priate, to the Under Secretary of the Coast*
 12 *Guard, and to not more than 4 Assistant*
 13 *Secretaries of the Coast Guard.*

14 “(ii) *APPOINTMENT.—The Under Sec-*
 15 *retary and the Assistant Secretaries shall be*
 16 *appointed from civilian life by the Presi-*
 17 *dent, by and with the advice and consent of*
 18 *the Senate.*

19 “(B) *SECRETARY OF THE COAST GUARD’S*
 20 *STAFF.—The Secretary of the Coast Guard’s staff*
 21 *shall be limited in the roles and responsibilities*
 22 *of such staff to the execution of the powers vested*
 23 *in the Secretary of the Coast Guard. The size of*
 24 *the Secretary of the Coast Guard’s staff may not*
 25 *exceed the size necessary to carry out the respon-*

1 *sibilities of the office of the Secretary of the*
 2 *Coast Guard.*

3 “(C) *REPORTING TO SECRETARY OF THE*
 4 *COAST GUARD.—Officers of the Coast Guard*
 5 *shall, as directed by the Secretary, report on any*
 6 *matter to the Secretary of the Coast Guard, the*
 7 *Under Secretary, or any Assistant Secretary.*

8 “(6) *ADDITIONAL POWERS.—The Secretary of the*
 9 *Coast Guard may—*

10 “(A) *assign, detail, and prescribe the duties*
 11 *of members of the Coast Guard and civilian per-*
 12 *sonnel of the Coast Guard;*

13 “(B) *change the title of any officer or activ-*
 14 *ity of the Coast Guard not prescribed by law;*
 15 *and*

16 “(C) *prescribe regulations to carry out the*
 17 *functions, powers, and duties of the Secretary of*
 18 *the Coast Guard under this title.*

19 “(7) *PROHIBITIONS.—*

20 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the*
 21 *Coast Guard may not eliminate, materially alter*
 22 *the scope of, or privatize any of the primary du-*
 23 *ties described in section 102.*

24 “(B) *REPORT.—The Secretary of the Coast*
 25 *Guard shall submit to the Committee on Trans-*

1 *portation and Infrastructure of the House of*
 2 *Representatives and the Committee on Com-*
 3 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate*
 4 *an annual report demonstrating compliance*
 5 *with subparagraph (A).*

6 “(c) *LIMITATIONS.*—*No officer serving in an appoint-*
 7 *ment described in subsections (a) through (e) of section 103*
 8 *of Public Law 107–296 may perform the duties of the Sec-*
 9 *retary of the Coast Guard.*

10 “(d) *COMMANDANT REPORTING.*—*The Commandant*
 11 *shall report directly to the Secretary of the Coast Guard.*
 12 *The Commandant shall not be required to report to any*
 13 *other position in the department in which the Coast Guard*
 14 *is operating, military or civilian, including under secre-*
 15 *taries, or assistant secretaries.”.*

16 (h) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
 17 *1 of title 14, United States Code, is amended—*

18 (1) *by striking the item relating to section 102*
 19 *and inserting the following:*

 “102. *Primary duties.*”; and

20 (2) *by striking the item relating to section 106*
 21 *and inserting the following:*

 “106. *Secretary of the Coast Guard defined.*

 “107. *Commandant defined.*”.

1 (i) *CLARIFYING AMENDMENT.*—Section 505 of title 14,
 2 *United States Code*, is amended by striking “Secretary”
 3 and inserting “Secretary of the Coast Guard”.

4 (j) *PUBLIC LAW 107–296.*—Public Law 107–296 is
 5 amended—

6 (1) in section 103—

7 (A) by amending subsection (c) to read as
 8 follows:

9 “(c) *SECRETARY OF THE COAST GUARD.*—When the
 10 *Coast Guard* is operating as a service within the Depart-
 11 ment of Homeland Security, to assist the Secretary in the
 12 performance of the Secretary’s functions, there is a Sec-
 13 retary of the Coast Guard who shall be appointed as pro-
 14 vided in section 201 of title 14, *United States Code*, and
 15 who shall report directly to the Secretary.”; and

16 (B) in subsection (g)(1)—

17 (i) by striking “Notwithstanding” and
 18 inserting the following:

19 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding”;

20 (ii) by striking “the Under Secretary
 21 for Management” and inserting “the Sec-
 22 retary of the Coast Guard”; and

23 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
 24 lowing:

1 “(B) *UNDER SECRETARY OF MANAGE-*
 2 *MENT.—The Under Secretary of Management*
 3 *shall serve in this capacity in the event that the*
 4 *Secretary of the Coast Guard has transferred to*
 5 *the Department of the Navy.”; and*
 6 *(2) in section 888—*

7 *(A) by redesignating subsections (b) through*
 8 *(g) as subsections (a) through (f), respectively;*
 9 *and*

10 *(B) in subsection (e), as so redesignated, by*
 11 *striking “Commandant” and inserting “the Sec-*
 12 *retary of the Coast Guard”.*

13 *(k) CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE COAST GUARD; IN-*
 14 *SPECTOR GENERAL OF THE COAST GUARD.—*

15 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3 of title 14, United*
 16 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-*
 17 *lowing:*

18 **“§ 324. Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard**

19 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be in the Coast Guard*
 20 *a Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard selected by the Com-*
 21 *mandant under policies established by the Secretary and*
 22 *who meets the qualifications set forth in subsection (b).*

23 *“(b) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Chief Prosecutor of the*
 24 *Coast Guard shall be a commissioned officer of the Coast*
 25 *Guard who—*

1 “(1) is a member in good standing of the bar of
2 a Federal court or the highest court of a State;

3 “(2) is a judge advocate in the grade not lower
4 than O-7; and

5 “(3) is certified to be qualified, by reason of edu-
6 cation, training, experience, and temperament, for
7 duty as Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard by the
8 Judge Advocate General of the Coast Guard.

9 “(c) DUTIES AND AUTHORITIES.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Chief Prosecutor of the
11 Coast Guard shall carry out the duties under chapter
12 47 of title 10 (the Uniform Code of Military Justice)
13 and shall perform the duties assigned as determined
14 by the Secretary and consistent with the policy, regu-
15 lations, or other guidance promulgated under section
16 824a of title 10 (article 24a of the Uniform Code of
17 Military Justice).

18 “(2) DETERMINATION OF COVERED OFFENSE;
19 RELATED CHARGES.—

20 “(A) AUTHORITY.—The Chief Prosecutor of
21 the Coast Guard shall have exclusive authority to
22 determine whether a reported offense is a covered
23 offense and shall exercise authority over any such
24 offense in accordance with chapter 47 of title 10
25 (the Uniform Code of Military Justice). Any de-

1 *termination to prefer or refer charges shall not*
2 *act to disqualify the Chief Prosecutor of the*
3 *Coast Guard as an accuser.*

4 “(B) *KNOWN AND RELATED OFFENSES.—If*
5 *the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard deter-*
6 *mines that a reported offense is a covered offense,*
7 *the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard may*
8 *also exercise authority over any offense that the*
9 *special trial counsel determines to be related to*
10 *the covered offense and any other offense alleged*
11 *to have been committed by a person alleged to*
12 *have committed the covered offense.*

13 “(3) *DISMISSAL; REFERRAL; PLEA BARGAINS.—*
14 *Subject to paragraph (5), with respect to charges and*
15 *specifications alleging any offense over which the*
16 *Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard exercises author-*
17 *ity, the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard shall*
18 *have exclusive authority to, in accordance with this*
19 *chapter and with chapter 47 of title 10 (the Uniform*
20 *Code of Military Justice)—*

21 “(A) *on behalf of the Government, withdraw*
22 *or dismiss the charges and specifications or make*
23 *a motion to withdraw or dismiss the charges and*
24 *specifications;*

1 “(B) refer the charges and specifications for
2 trial by a special or general court-martial;

3 “(C) enter into a plea agreement; and

4 “(D) determine if an authorized rehearing
5 is impracticable.

6 “(4) *BINDING DETERMINATION.*—The determina-
7 tion of the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard to
8 refer charges and specifications to a court-martial for
9 trial shall be binding on any applicable convening
10 authority for the referral of such charges and speci-
11 fications.

12 “(5) *DEFERRAL TO COMMANDER OR CONVENING*
13 *AUTHORITY.*—If the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast
14 Guard exercises authority over an offense and elects
15 not to prefer charges and specifications for such of-
16 fense or, with respect to charges and specifications for
17 such offense preferred by a person other than the Chief
18 Prosecutor of the Coast Guard, elects not to refer such
19 charges and specifications, a commander or convening
20 authority may exercise any of the authorities of such
21 commander or convening authority under chapter 47
22 of title 10 (the Uniform Code of Military Justice),
23 with respect to such offense, except that such com-
24 mander or convening authority may not refer charges

3 “(d) COVERED OFFENSE DEFINED.—In this section,
4 the term ‘covered offense’ has the meaning given such term
5 in section 801 of title 10.

6 “§325. *Office of the Inspector General of the Coast*
7 *Guard*

8 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—There is in the Office of the Sec-
9 retary of the Coast Guard an Inspector General of the Coast
10 Guard, who shall be detailed to such position by the Sec-
11 retary. The Inspector General of the Coast Guard shall be
12 detailed from officers on the active-duty list in the line of
13 the Coast Guard serving in grades above captain. An officer
14 may not be detailed to such position for a tour of duty of
15 more than 4 years, except that the Secretary of the Coast
16 Guard may extend such a tour of duty if the Secretary of
17 the Coast Guard makes a special finding that the extension
18 is necessary and in the public interest.

19 “(b) *DUTIES.*—When directed by the Secretary of the
20 *Coast Guard or the Commandant, the Inspector General*
21 *shall inquire into and report upon any matter that affects*
22 *the discipline, military efficiency, or economy of the Coast*
23 *Guard.*

24 “(c) *RECOMMENDATIONS.*—*The Inspector General*
25 *shall periodically propose programs of inspections to the*

1 *Secretary of the Coast Guard and shall recommend addi-*
 2 *tional inspections and investigations as may appear appro-*
 3 *priate.*

4 “(d) *COOPERATION.*—*The Inspector General shall co-*
 5 *operate fully with the Inspector General of the Department*
 6 *of Homeland Security in connection with the performance*
 7 *of any duty or function by the Inspector General of the De-*
 8 *partment of Homeland Security under section 103 of Public*
 9 *Law 107–296 regarding the Coast Guard.*

10 “(e) *DUTIES.*—*In addition to the responsibilities de-*
 11 *scribed in paragraph (2), the Inspector General shall peri-*
 12 *odically propose programs of inspections to the Secretary*
 13 *of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating,*
 14 *the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and the appropriate com-*
 15 *mittees of Congress and shall recommend additional inspec-*
 16 *tions and investigations as may appear appropriate.”.*

17 (2) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for*
 18 *chapter 3 of title 14, United States Code, is amended*
 19 *by adding at the end the following:*

“324. *Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard.*

“325. *Office of the Inspector General of the Coast Guard.”.*

20 **SEC. 202. REAPPOINTMENT OF COMMANDANT.**

21 *Section 302 of title 14, United States Code, is amended*
 22 *in the first sentence by striking “further periods of four*
 23 *years” and inserting “one further period of four years”.*

1 **SEC. 203. SPECIAL ADVISOR TO COMMANDANT FOR TRIBAL**
 2 **AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.**

3 (a) *REORGANIZATION.*—Chapter 3 of title 14, United
 4 States Code, is amended by redesignating sections 312
 5 through 325 as sections 313 through 326, respectively.

6 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 7 3 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by redesignig-
 8 nating the items relating to sections 312 through 325 as
 9 relating to sections 313 through 326, respectively.

10 (c) *SPECIAL ADVISOR TO COMMANDANT FOR TRIBAL*
 11 *AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.*—Chapter 3 of title 14,
 12 United States Code, is further amended by inserting after
 13 section 311 the following:

14 **“§312. Special Advisor to Commandant for Tribal**
 15 **and Native Hawaiian Affairs**

16 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—In accordance with Federal trust
 17 responsibilities and treaty obligations, laws, and policies
 18 relevant to Indian Tribes and in support of the principles
 19 of self-determination, self-governance, and co-management
 20 with respect to Indian Tribes, and to support engagement
 21 with Native Hawaiians, there shall be in the Coast Guard
 22 a Special Advisor to the Commandant for Tribal and Na-
 23 tive Hawaiian Affairs (in this section referred to as the
 24 ‘Special Advisor’), who shall—

25 “(1) be selected by the Secretary and the Com-
 26 mandant through a competitive search process;

1 “(2) have expertise in Federal Indian law and
2 policy, including government-to-government consulta-
3 tion;

4 “(3) to the maximum extent practicable, have ex-
5 pertise in legal and policy issues affecting Native Ha-
6 waiians; and

7 “(4) have an established record of distinguished
8 service and achievement working with Indian Tribes,
9 Tribal organizations, and Native Hawaiian organiza-
10 tions.

11 “(b) *CAREER RESERVED POSITION*.—The position of
12 Special Advisor shall be a career reserved position at the
13 GS–15 level or greater.

14 “(c) *DUTIES*.—The Special Advisor shall—

15 “(1) ensure the Federal government upholds the
16 Federal trust responsibility and conducts consistent,
17 meaningful, and timely government-to-government
18 consultation and engagement with Indian Tribes,
19 which shall meet or exceed the standards of the Fed-
20 eral Government and the Coast Guard;

21 “(2) ensure meaningful and timely engagement
22 with—

23 “(A) Native Hawaiian organizations; and

24 “(B) Tribal organizations;

1 “(3) advise the Commandant on all policies of
2 the Coast Guard that have Tribal implications in ac-
3 cordance with applicable law and policy, including
4 Executive Orders;

5 “(4) work to ensure that the policies of the Fed-
6 eral Government regarding consultation and engage-
7 ment with Indian Tribes and engagement with Native
8 Hawaiian organizations and Tribal organizations are
9 implemented in a meaningful manner, working
10 through Coast Guard leadership and across the Coast
11 Guard, together with—

12 “(A) liaisons located within Coast Guard
13 districts;

14 “(B) the Director of Coast Guard Govern-
15 mental and Public Affairs; and

16 “(C) other Coast Guard leadership and pro-
17 grams and other Federal partners; and

18 “(5) support Indian Tribes, Native Hawaiian
19 organizations, and Tribal organizations in all mat-
20 ters under the jurisdiction of the Coast Guard.

21 “(d) DIRECT ACCESS TO SECRETARY AND COM-
22 MANDANT.—No officer or employee of the Coast Guard or
23 the Department of Homeland Security may interfere with
24 the ability of the Special Advisor to give direct and inde-

1 *pendent advice to the Secretary and the Commandant on*
 2 *matters related to this section.*

3 “(e) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 “(1) *INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ‘Indian Tribe’*
 5 *has the meaning given such term in section 4 of the*
 6 *Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance*
 7 *Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

8 “(2) *NATIVE HAWAIIAN ORGANIZATION.—The*
 9 *term ‘Native Hawaiian organization’ has the mean-*
 10 *ing given such term in section 6207 of the Elemen-*
 11 *tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*
 12 *U.S.C. 7517) except the term includes the Department*
 13 *of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Office of Hawai-*
 14 *ian Affairs.*

15 “(3) *TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.—The term ‘Tribal*
 16 *organization’ has the meaning given the term in sec-*
 17 *tion 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-*
 18 *cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).”.*

19 (d) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 20 *3 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
 21 *after the item relating to section 311 the following:*

“312. Special Advisor to Commandant for Tribal and Native Hawaiian Affairs.”.

22 (e) *BRIEFINGS.—*

23 (1) *INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 120 days*
 24 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
 25 *mandant shall brief the Committee on Commerce,*

1 *Science, and Transportation and the Committee on*
2 *Indian Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on*
3 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of*
4 *Representatives on the manner in which the Special*
5 *Advisor for Tribal and Native Hawaiian Affairs will*
6 *be incorporated into the governance structure of the*
7 *Coast Guard, including a timeline for the incorpora-*
8 *tion that is completed not later than 1 year after date*
9 *of enactment of this Act.*

10 (2) *ANNUAL BRIEFINGS ON SPECIAL ADVISOR TO*
11 *THE COMMANDANT TO TRIBAL AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN*
12 *AFFAIRS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the*
13 *establishment of the position of the Special Advisor to*
14 *the Commandant for Tribal and Native Hawaiian*
15 *Affairs under section 313 of title 14, United States*
16 *Code, and annually thereafter for 2 years, the Com-*
17 *mandant shall provide the Committee on Commerce,*
18 *Science, and Technology and the Committee on In-*
19 *dian Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on*
20 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of*
21 *Representatives with a briefing on the duties, respon-*
22 *sibilities, and actions of the Special Advisor to the*
23 *Commandant for Tribal and Native Hawaiian Af-*
24 *airs, including management of best practices.*

1 (3) *BRIEFING ON COLLABORATION WITH TRIBES*
 2 *ON RESEARCH CONSISTENT WITH COAST GUARD MIS-*
 3 *SION REQUIREMENTS.—*

4 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year*
 5 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
 6 *mandant shall provide the Committee on Com-*
 7 *merce, Science, and Technology and the Com-*
 8 *mittee on Indian Affairs of the Senate and the*
 9 *Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*
 10 *of the House of Representatives with a briefing*
 11 *on potential collaborations on and research and*
 12 *use of indigenous place-based knowledge and re-*
 13 *search.*

14 (B) *ELEMENT.—In providing the briefing*
 15 *under subparagraph (A), the Commandant shall*
 16 *identify current and potential future opportuni-*
 17 *ties to improve coordination with Indian Tribes,*
 18 *Native Hawaiian organizations, and Tribal or-*
 19 *ganizations to support—*

20 (i) *Coast Guard mission needs, such as*
 21 *the potential for research or knowledge to*
 22 *enhance maritime domain awareness, in-*
 23 *cluding opportunities through the ADAC–*
 24 *ARCTIC Center of Excellence of the Depart-*
 25 *ment of Homeland Security; and*

1 (ii) Coast Guard efforts to protect in-
 2 digenous place-based knowledge and re-
 3 search.

4 (4) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this subsection:*

5 (A) *INDIAN TRIBE.*—*The term “Indian*
 6 *Tribe” has the meaning given such term in sec-*
 7 *tion 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and*
 8 *Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

9 (B) *NATIVE HAWAIIAN ORGANIZATION.*—*The*
 10 *term “Native Hawaiian organization” has the*
 11 *meaning given such term in section 6207 of the*
 12 *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of*
 13 *1965 (20 U.S.C. 7517) except the term includes*
 14 *the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and*
 15 *the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.*

16 (C) *TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.*—*The term*
 17 *“Tribal organization” has the meaning given the*
 18 *such in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determina-*
 19 *tion and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C.*
 20 *5304).*

21 (f) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this section,*
 22 *or an amendment made by this section, shall be construed*
 23 *to impact—*

1 (1) *the right of any Indian Tribe (as defined in*
 2 *section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-*
 3 *cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304); or*

4 (2) *any government-to-government consultation.*

5 (g) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*

6 (1) *Section 11237 of the Don Young Coast Guard*
 7 *Authorization Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–263) is*
 8 *amended—*

9 (A) *in subsection (a), by striking “section*
 10 *312 of title 14” and inserting “section 313 of*
 11 *title 14”; and*

12 (B) *in subsection (b)(2)(A), by striking*
 13 *“section 312 of title 14” and inserting “section*
 14 *313 of title 14”.*

15 (2) *Section 807(a) of the Frank LoBiondo Coast*
 16 *Guard Authorization Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–*
 17 *282) is amended by striking “section 313 of title 14”*
 18 *and inserting “section 314 of title 14”.*

19 (3) *Section 3533(a) of the National Defense Au-*
 20 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law*
 21 *118–31) is amended by striking “section 315 of title*
 22 *14” and inserting “section 316 of title 14”.*

23 (4) *Section 311(j)(9)(D) of the Federal Water*
 24 *Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321(j)(9)(D)) is*
 25 *amended by striking “section 323 of title 14” each*

1 *place it appears and inserting “section 324 of title*
 2 *14” each such place.*

3 **SEC. 204. REINSTATEMENT OF TRAINING COURSE ON**
 4 **WORKINGS OF CONGRESS.**

5 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 316 of title 14, United*
 6 *States Code, as so redesignated, is amended to read as fol-*
 7 *lows:*

8 **“§ 316. Training courses on workings of Congress**

9 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—*

10 *“(1) TRAINING COURSE.—The Commandant, and*
 11 *such other individuals and organizations as the Com-*
 12 *mandant considers appropriate, shall develop a train-*
 13 *ing course on the workings of Congress and offer such*
 14 *training course at least once each year.*

15 *“(2) COURSE SUBJECT MATTER.—The training*
 16 *course required by this section shall provide an over-*
 17 *view and introduction to Congress and the Federal*
 18 *legislative process, including—*

19 *“(A) the history and structure of Congress*
 20 *and the committee systems of the House of Rep-*
 21 *resentatives and the Senate, including the func-*
 22 *tions and responsibilities of the Committee on*
 23 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House*
 24 *of Representatives and the Committee on Com-*

1 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Sen-*
 2 *ate;*

3 *“(B) the documents produced by Congress,*
 4 *including bills, resolutions, committee reports,*
 5 *and conference reports, and the purposes and*
 6 *functions of such documents;*

7 *“(C) the legislative processes and rules of*
 8 *the House of Representatives and the Senate, in-*
 9 *cluding similarities and differences between the 2*
 10 *processes and 2 sets of rules, including—*

11 *“(i) the congressional budget process;*

12 *“(ii) the congressional authorization*
 13 *and appropriation processes;*

14 *“(iii) the Senate advice and consent*
 15 *process for Presidential nominees; and*

16 *“(iv) the Senate advice and consent*
 17 *process for treaty ratification;*

18 *“(D) the roles of Members of Congress and*
 19 *congressional staff in the legislative process; and*

20 *“(E) the concept and underlying purposes*
 21 *of congressional oversight within the governance*
 22 *framework of separation of powers.*

23 *“(3) LECTURERS AND PANELISTS.—*

24 *“(A) OUTSIDE EXPERTS.—The Com-*
 25 *mandant shall ensure that not less than 60 per-*

1 *cent of the lecturers, panelists, and other individ-*
2 *uals providing education and instruction as part*
3 *of the training course required under this section*
4 *are experts on Congress and the Federal legisla-*
5 *tive process who are not employed by the execu-*
6 *tive branch of the Federal Government.*

7 “(B) *AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT PRO BONO*
8 *SERVICES.—In satisfying the requirement under*
9 *paragraph (1), the Commandant shall seek, and*
10 *may accept, educational and instructional serv-*
11 *ices of lecturers, panelists, and other individuals*
12 *and organizations provided to the Coast Guard*
13 *on a pro bono basis.*

14 “(4) *EFFECT OF LAW.—*

15 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The training required*
16 *by this section shall replace the substantially*
17 *similar training that was required by the Com-*
18 *mandant on the day before the date of enactment*
19 *of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025.*

20 “(B) *PREVIOUS TRAINING RECIPIENTS.—A*
21 *Coast Guard flag officer or a Coast Guard Sen-*
22 *ior Executive Service employee who, not more*
23 *than 3 years before the date of the enactment of*
24 *the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025, com-*
25 *pleted the training that was required by the*

1 *Commandant on the day before such date of en-*
2 *actment, shall not be required to complete the*
3 *training required by this section.*

4 “(b) *TRAINING FOR CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS PER-*
5 *SONNEL.—*

6 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall de-*
7 *velop a training course, which shall be administered*
8 *in person, on the workings of Congress for any mem-*
9 *ber of the Coast Guard selected for a position as a fel-*
10 *low, liaison, counsel, or administrative staff for the*
11 *Coast Guard Office of Congressional and Govern-*
12 *mental Affairs or as any Coast Guard district or area*
13 *governmental affairs officer.*

14 “(2) *COURSE SUBJECT MATTER.—*

15 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The training course re-*
16 *quired under this section shall provide an over-*
17 *view and introduction to Congress and the Fed-*
18 *eral legislative process, including—*

19 “(i) *the congressional budget process;*

20 “(ii) *the congressional appropriations*
21 *process;*

22 “(iii) *the congressional authorization*
23 *process;*

24 “(iv) *the Senate advice and consent*
25 *process for Presidential nominees;*

1 “(v) the Senate advice and consent
2 process for treaty ratification;

3 “(vi) the roles of Members of Congress
4 and congressional staff in the legislative
5 process;

6 “(vii) the concept and underlying pur-
7 poses of congressional oversight within the
8 governance framework of separation of pow-
9 ers;

10 “(viii) the roles of Coast Guard fellows,
11 liaisons, counsels, governmental affairs offi-
12 cers, the Coast Guard Office of Program Re-
13 view, the Coast Guard Headquarters pro-
14 gram offices, and any other entity the Com-
15 mandant considers relevant; and

16 “(ix) the roles and responsibilities of
17 Coast Guard public affairs and external
18 communications personnel with respect to
19 Members of Congress and the staff of such
20 Members necessary to enhance communica-
21 tion between Coast Guard units, sectors,
22 and districts and Member offices and com-
23 mittees of jurisdiction so as to ensure visi-
24 bility of Coast Guard activities.

1 “(3) *DETAIL WITHIN COAST GUARD OFFICE OF*
2 *BUDGET AND PROGRAMS.*—

3 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*At the written request*
4 *of a receiving congressional office, the training*
5 *course required under this section shall include*
6 *a multi-day detail within the Coast Guard Office*
7 *of Budget and Programs to ensure adequate ex-*
8 *posure to Coast Guard policy, oversight, and re-*
9 *quests from Congress.*

10 “(B) *NONCONSECUTIVE DETAIL PER-*
11 *MITTED.*—*A detail under this paragraph is not*
12 *required to be consecutive with the balance of the*
13 *training.*

14 “(4) *COMPLETION OF REQUIRED TRAINING.*—*A*
15 *member of the Coast Guard selected for a position de-*
16 *scribed in subsection (a) shall complete the training*
17 *required by this section before the date on which such*
18 *member reports for duty for such position.”.*

19 “(b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
20 *3 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by striking*
21 *the item relating to section 316 and inserting the following:*

“316. Training courses on workings of Congress.”.

22 ***SEC. 205. SERVICES AND USE OF FUNDS FOR, AND LEASING***
23 ***OF, THE NATIONAL COAST GUARD MUSEUM.***

24 *Section 317 of title 14, United States Code, as so redes-*
25 *ignated, is amended—*

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (1) by striking “The Sec-
3 retary” and inserting “Except as provided in
4 paragraph (2), the Secretary”; and

5 (B) in paragraph (2) by striking “on the
6 engineering and design of a Museum.” and in-
7 serting “on—”

8 “(A) the design of the Museum; and

9 “(B) engineering, construction administra-
10 tion, and quality assurance services for the Mu-
11 seum.”;

12 (2) in subsection (e), by amending paragraph
13 (2)(A) to read as follows:

14 “(2)(A) for the purpose of conducting Coast
15 Guard operations, lease from the Association—

16 “(i) the Museum; and

17 “(ii) any property owned by the Asso-
18 ciation that is adjacent to the railroad
19 tracks that are adjacent to the property on
20 which the Museum is located; and”;

21 (3) by amending subsection (g) to read as fol-
22 lows:

23 “(g) SERVICES.—With respect to the services related
24 to the construction, maintenance, and operation of the Mu-

1 *seum, the Commandant may, from nonprofits entities in-*
 2 *cluding the Association,—*

3 *“(1) solicit and accept services; and*

4 *“(2) enter into contracts or memoranda of agree-*
 5 *ment to acquire such services.”.*

6 ***Subtitle B—Authorities***

7 ***SEC. 211. ENHANCED USE PROPERTY PILOT PROGRAM.***

8 *Section 504 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
 9 *ed—*

10 *(1) in subsection (a)(13) by striking “five years”*
 11 *and inserting “30 years”; and*

12 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

13 *“(g) ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.—*

14 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts received under sub-*
 15 *section (a)(13) shall be—*

16 *“(A) in addition to amounts otherwise*
 17 *available for the activities described in subsection*
 18 *(a)(13) for any fiscal year; and*

19 *“(B) available, without further appropria-*
 20 *tion, until expended.*

21 *“(2) CONSIDERATION.—*

22 *“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in*
 23 *subparagraph (B), a person or entity entering*
 24 *into a contractual agreement under this section*
 25 *shall provide consideration for the contractual*

1 *agreement at fair market value, as determined*
2 *by the Commandant.*

3 “(B) *EXCEPTION.*—*In the case of a contrac-*
4 *tual agreement under this section between the*
5 *Coast Guard and any other Federal department*
6 *or agency, the Federal department or agency*
7 *concerned shall provide consideration for the*
8 *contractual agreement that is equal to the full*
9 *cost borne by the Coast Guard in connection*
10 *with completing such contractual agreement.*

11 “(C) *FORMS.*—*Consideration under this*
12 *subsection may take any of the following forms:*

13 “(i) *The payment of cash.*

14 “(ii) *The maintenance, construction,*
15 *modification, or improvement of existing or*
16 *new facilities on real property under the ju-*
17 *risdiction of the Commandant.*

18 “(iii) *The use by the Coast Guard of*
19 *facilities on the property concerned.*

20 “(iv) *The provision of services, includ-*
21 *ing parking, telecommunications, and envi-*
22 *ronmental remediation and restoration of*
23 *real property under the jurisdiction of the*
24 *Commandant.*

1 “(v) *Any other consideration the Com-*
2 *mandant considers appropriate.*

3 “(vi) *A combination of any forms de-*
4 *scribed in this subparagraph.*

5 “(3) *SUNSET.—The authority under paragraph*
6 *(13) of subsection (a) shall expire on December 31,*
7 *2029. The expiration under this paragraph of author-*
8 *ity under paragraph (13) of subsection (a) shall not*
9 *affect the validity or term of contractual agreements*
10 *under such paragraph or the retention by the Com-*
11 *mandant of proceeds from such agreements entered*
12 *into under such subsection before the expiration of the*
13 *authority.”.*

14 **SEC. 212. PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.**

15 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—Section 11269 of the Don Young*
16 *Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–*
17 *263) is—*

18 “(1) *transferred to appear at the end of sub-*
19 *chapter II of chapter 5 of title 14, United States*
20 *Code;*

21 “(2) *redesignated as section 529; and*

22 “(3) *amended—*

23 “(A) *by striking the section enumerator and*
24 *heading and inserting the following:*

1 **“§ 529. Public availability of information”;**

2 (B) by striking “Not later than” and insert-
3 ing the following:

4 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than”;

5 (C) by striking “the number of migrant”
6 and inserting “the number of drug and person”;
7 and

8 (D) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(b) *CONTENTS.*—In making information about inter-
10 dictions publicly available under subsection (a), the Com-
11 mandant shall include a description of the following:

12 “(1) *The number of incidents in which drugs*
13 *were interdicted, the amount and type of drugs inter-*
14 *dicted, and the Coast Guard sectors and geographic*
15 *areas of responsibility in which such incidents oc-*
16 *curred.*

17 “(2) *The number of incidents in which persons*
18 *were interdicted, the number of persons interdicted,*
19 *the number of those persons who were unaccompanied*
20 *minors, and the Coast Guard sectors and geographic*
21 *areas of responsibility in which such incidents oc-*
22 *curred.*

23 “(c) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this provi-
24 sion shall be construed to require the Coast Guard to collect
25 the information described in subsection (b), and nothing in
26 this provision shall be construed to require the Com-

1 *mandant to publicly release confidential, classified, law en-*
 2 *forcement sensitive, or otherwise protected information.”.*

3 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—*

4 *(1) TITLE 14.—The analysis for chapter 5 of title*
 5 *14, United States Code, is amended by inserting after*
 6 *the item relating to section 528 the following:*

“529. Public availability of information on monthly drug and migrant interdic-
tions.”.

7 *(2) JAMES M. INHOFE NATIONAL DEFENSE AU-*
 8 *THORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023.—The table*
 9 *of contents for the James M. Inhofe National Defense*
 10 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law*
 11 *117–263) is amended by striking the item relating to*
 12 *section 11269.*

13 *(3) DON YOUNG COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION*
 14 *ACT OF 2022.—The table of contents for the Don*
 15 *Young Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2022 (divi-*
 16 *sion K of Public Law 117–263) is amended by strik-*
 17 *ing the item relating to section 11269.*

18 **SEC. 213. TIMELY REIMBURSEMENT OF DAMAGE CLAIMS**
 19 **FOR COAST GUARD PROPERTY.**

20 *Section 546 of title 14, United States Code, is amended*
 21 *in the second sentence by inserting “and the amounts col-*
 22 *lected shall be available until expended” after “special de-*
 23 *posit account”.*

1 **SEC. 214. UNIFORM FUNDING AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**
 2 **FOR MORALE, WELL-BEING, AND RECREATION**
 3 **PROGRAMS AND COAST GUARD EXCHANGE.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter IV of chapter 5 of title
 5 14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
 6 the following:

7 **“§ 565. Uniform funding and management of morale,**
 8 **well-being, and recreation programs and**
 9 **Coast Guard Exchange**

10 *“(a) AUTHORITY FOR UNIFORM FUNDING AND MAN-*
 11 *AGEMENT.*—Under policies issued by the Commandant,
 12 funds appropriated to the Coast Guard and available for
 13 morale, well-being, and recreation programs and the Coast
 14 Guard Exchange may be treated as nonappropriated funds
 15 and expended in accordance with laws applicable to the ex-
 16 penditure of nonappropriated funds. When made available
 17 for morale, well-being, and recreation programs and the
 18 Coast Guard Exchange under such policies, appropriated
 19 funds shall be considered to be nonappropriated funds for
 20 all purposes and shall remain available until expended.

21 *“(b) CONDITIONS ON AVAILABILITY.*—Funds appro-
 22 priated to the Coast Guard and subject to a policy described
 23 in subsection (a) shall only be available in amounts that
 24 are determined by the Commandant to be consistent with—

25 *“(1) Coast Guard policy; and*

26 *“(2) Coast Guard readiness and resources.*

1 “(c) *UPDATED POLICY.*—Not later than 90 days after
 2 the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act
 3 of 2025, the Commandant shall update the policies de-
 4 scribed in subsection (a) consistent with this section.

5 “(d) *BRIEFING.*—Not later than 30 days after the date
 6 on which the Commandant issues the updated policies re-
 7 quired under subsection (c), the Commandant shall provide
 8 to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
 9 tation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation
 10 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a brief-
 11 ing on such policies.”.

12 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 13 5 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding
 14 at the end the following:

“565. Uniform funding and management of morale, well-being, and recreation
 programs and Coast Guard Exchange.”.

15 **SEC. 215. COAST GUARD PROPERTY.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 7 of title 14, United States
 17 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

18 **“§ 722. Cooperation with eligible entities**

19 “(a) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

20 “(1) *COAST GUARD INSTALLATION.*—The term
 21 ‘Coast Guard installation’ means a base, unit, sta-
 22 tion, yard, other property under the jurisdiction of
 23 the Commandant or, in the case of property in a for-
 24 eign country, under the operational control of the

1 *Coast Guard, without regard to the duration of oper-*
2 *ational control.*

3 “(2) *CULTURAL RESOURCE.*—*The term ‘cultural*
4 *resource’ means any of the following:*

5 “(A) *A building, structure, site, district, or*
6 *object eligible for or included in the National*
7 *Register of Historic Places maintained under*
8 *section 302101 of title 54.*

9 “(B) *Cultural items, as that term is defined*
10 *in section 2(3) of the Native American Graves*
11 *Protection and Repatriation Act (25 U.S.C.*
12 *3001(3)).*

13 “(C) *An archaeological resource, as that*
14 *term is defined in section 3(1) of the Archae-*
15 *ological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (16*
16 *U.S.C. 470bb(1)).*

17 “(D) *An archaeological artifact collection*
18 *and associated records covered by part 79 of title*
19 *36, Code of Federal Regulations.*

20 “(E) *A sacred site, as that term is defined*
21 *in section 1(b) of Executive Order No. 13007 (42*
22 *U.S.C. 1996 note; relating to Indian sacred*
23 *sites).*

1 “(F) *Treaty or trust resources of an Indian*
 2 *Tribe, including the habitat associated with such*
 3 *resources.*

4 “(G) *Subsistence resources of an Indian*
 5 *Tribe or a Native Hawaiian organization in-*
 6 *cluding the habitat associated with such re-*
 7 *sources.*

8 “(3) *ELIGIBLE ENTITY.*—*The term ‘eligible enti-*
 9 *ty’ means any the following:*

10 “(A) *A State, or a political subdivision of*
 11 *a State.*

12 “(B) *A local government.*

13 “(C) *An Indian Tribe.*

14 “(D) *A Native Hawaiian organization.*

15 “(E) *A Tribal organization.*

16 “(F) *A Federal department or agency.*

17 “(4) *INDIAN TRIBE.*—*The term ‘Indian Tribe’*
 18 *has the meaning given that term in section 4 of the*
 19 *Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance*
 20 *Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

21 “(5) *NATIVE HAWAIIAN ORGANIZATION.*—*The*
 22 *term ‘Native Hawaiian organization’ has the mean-*
 23 *ing given such term in section 6207 of the Elemen-*
 24 *tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*
 25 *U.S.C. 7517) except the term includes the Department*

1 *of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Office of Hawai-*
2 *ian Affairs.*

3 “(6) *NATURAL RESOURCE.*—*The term ‘natural*
4 *resource’ means land, fish, wildlife, biota, air, water,*
5 *ground water, drinking water supplies, and other*
6 *such resources belonging to, managed by, held in trust*
7 *by, appertaining to, or otherwise controlled by the*
8 *United States (including the resources of the waters*
9 *of the United States), any State or local government,*
10 *any Indian Tribe, any Native Hawaiian organiza-*
11 *tion, or any member of an Indian Tribe, if such re-*
12 *sources are subject to a trust restriction on alienation*
13 *and have been categorized into one of the following*
14 *groups:*

15 “(A) *Surface water resources.*

16 “(B) *Ground water resources.*

17 “(C) *Air resources.*

18 “(D) *Geologic resources.*

19 “(E) *Biological resources.*

20 “(7) *STATE.*—*The term ‘State’ includes each of*
21 *the several States, the District of Columbia, the Com-*
22 *monwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the*
23 *Northern Mariana Islands, and the territories and*
24 *possessions of the United States.*

1 “(8) *TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.*—*The term ‘Tribal*
 2 *organization’ has the meaning given the term in sec-*
 3 *tion 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-*
 4 *cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

5 “(b) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR MANAGEMENT*
 6 *OF CULTURAL RESOURCES.*—

7 “(1) *AUTHORITY.*—*The Commandant may enter*
 8 *into a cooperative agreement with an eligible entity*
 9 *(or in the case that the eligible entity is a Federal de-*
 10 *partment or agency, an interagency agreement)—*

11 “(A) *to provide for the preservation, man-*
 12 *agement, maintenance, and improvement of nat-*
 13 *ural resources and cultural resources located on*
 14 *a site described under paragraph (2); and*

15 “(B) *for the purpose of conducting research*
 16 *regarding the natural resources and cultural re-*
 17 *sources.*

18 “(2) *AUTHORIZED NATURAL AND CULTURAL RE-*
 19 *SOURCES SITES.*—*To be covered by a cooperative*
 20 *agreement under paragraph (1), the relevant natural*
 21 *resources or cultural resources shall be located—*

22 “(A) *on a Coast Guard installation; or*

23 “(B) *on a site outside of a Coast Guard in-*
 24 *stallation, but only if the cooperative agreement*
 25 *will directly relieve or eliminate current or an-*

1 *anticipated restrictions that would or might re-*
 2 *strict, impede, or otherwise interfere, either di-*
 3 *rectly or indirectly, with current or anticipated*
 4 *Coast Guard training, testing, maintenance, or*
 5 *operations on a Coast Guard installation.*

6 “(3) *APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS.*—Section
 7 *1535 and chapter 63 of title 31 shall not apply to an*
 8 *agreement entered into under paragraph (1).*

9 “(c) *AGREEMENTS AND CONSIDERATIONS.*—

10 “(1) *AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.*—The Com-
 11 *mandant may enter into an agreement with an eligi-*
 12 *ble entity, and may enter into an interagency agree-*
 13 *ment with the head of another Federal department or*
 14 *agency, to address the use or development of property*
 15 *in the vicinity of, or ecologically related to, a Coast*
 16 *Guard installation for purposes of—*

17 “(A) *limiting any development or use of*
 18 *such property that would be incompatible with*
 19 *the mission of the Coast Guard installation;*

20 “(B) *preserving habitat on such property in*
 21 *a manner that—*

22 “(i) *is compatible with environmental*
 23 *requirements; and*

24 “(ii) *may eliminate or relieve current*
 25 *or anticipated environmental restrictions*

1 *that would or might otherwise restrict, im-*
2 *pede, or interfere, either directly or indi-*
3 *rectly, with current or anticipated Coast*
4 *Guard training or operations on the Coast*
5 *Guard installation;*

6 “(C) *maintaining or improving Coast*
7 *Guard installation resilience;*

8 “(D) *maintaining and improving natural*
9 *resources, or benefitting natural and historic re-*
10 *search, on the Coast Guard installation;*

11 “(E) *maintaining access to cultural re-*
12 *sources and natural resources, including—*

13 “(i) *Tribal treaty fisheries and shell-*
14 *fish harvest, and usual and accustomed fish-*
15 *ing areas; and*

16 “(ii) *subsistence fisheries, or any other*
17 *fishery or shellfish harvest, of an Indian*
18 *Tribe;*

19 “(F) *providing a means to replace or repair*
20 *property or cultural resources of an Indian Tribe*
21 *or a Native Hawaiian organization if such prop-*
22 *erty is damaged by Coast Guard personnel or*
23 *operations, in consultation with the affected In-*
24 *dian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization; or*

1 “(G) maintaining and improving natural
 2 resources located outside a Coast Guard installa-
 3 tion, including property of an eligible entity, if
 4 the purpose of the agreement is to relieve or
 5 eliminate current or anticipated challenges that
 6 could restrict, impede, or otherwise interfere
 7 with, either directly or indirectly, current or an-
 8 ticipated Coast Guard activities.

9 “(2) *INAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN CONTRACT*
 10 *REQUIREMENTS.*—Notwithstanding chapter 63 of title
 11 31, an agreement under subsection (b)(1) that is a co-
 12 operative agreement and concerns a cultural resource
 13 or a natural resource may be used to acquire property
 14 or services for the direct benefit or use of the Federal
 15 Government.

16 “(d)(1) An agreement under subparagraph (b)(1) shall
 17 provide for—

18 “(A) the acquisition by an eligible entity or
 19 entities of all right, title, and interest in and to
 20 any real property, or any lesser interest in the
 21 property, as may be appropriate for purposes of
 22 this subsection; and

23 “(B) the sharing by the United States and
 24 an eligible entity or entities of the acquisition
 25 costs in accordance with paragraph (3).

1 “(2) *Property or interests may not be acquired pursu-*
2 *ant to an agreement under subsection (b)(1) unless the*
3 *owner of the property or interests consents to the acquisi-*
4 *tion.*

5 “(3)(A) *An agreement with an eligible entity under*
6 *subsection (b)(1) may provide for—*

7 “(i) *the management of natural resources*
8 *on, and the monitoring and enforcement of any*
9 *right, title, or interest in real property in which*
10 *the Commandant acquires any right, title, or in-*
11 *terest in accordance with this subsection; and*

12 “(ii) *for the payment by the United States*
13 *of all or a portion of the costs of such manage-*
14 *ment, monitoring, or enforcement if the Com-*
15 *mandant determines that there is a demonstrated*
16 *need to preserve or restore habitat for the pur-*
17 *poses of subsection (b) or (c).*

18 “(B) *Any payment provided for under subpara-*
19 *graph (A) may—*

20 “(i) *be paid in a lump sum;*

21 “(ii) *include an amount intended to cover*
22 *the future costs of natural resource management*
23 *and monitoring and enforcement; and*

24 “(iii) *be placed by the eligible entity in an*
25 *interest-bearing account, so long as any interest*

1 *is to be applied for the same purposes as the*
2 *principal.*

3 “(C) *Any payments made under this paragraph*
4 *shall be subject to periodic auditing by the Inspector*
5 *General of the department in which the Coast Guard*
6 *is operating.*

7 “(4)(A) *In entering into an agreement under sub-*
8 *section (b)(1), the Commandant shall determine the appro-*
9 *priate portion of the acquisition costs to be borne by the*
10 *United States in the sharing of acquisition costs of real*
11 *property, or an interest in real property, as required under*
12 *paragraph (1)(B).*

13 “(B) *In lieu of, or in addition to, making a*
14 *monetary contribution toward the cost of acquiring a*
15 *parcel of real property, or an interest therein, pursu-*
16 *ant to an agreement under subsection (b)(1), the Com-*
17 *mandant may convey real property in accordance*
18 *with applicable law.*

19 “(C) *The portion of acquisition costs borne by*
20 *the United States pursuant to subparagraph (A), ei-*
21 *ther through the contribution of funds, excess real*
22 *property, or both, may not exceed an amount equal*
23 *to—*

24 “(i) *the fair market value of any property,*
25 *or interest in property, to be transferred to the*

1 *United States upon the request of the Com-*
2 *mandant under paragraph (5); or*

3 *“(ii) the cumulative fair market value of all*
4 *properties, or all interests in properties, to be*
5 *transferred to the United States under para-*
6 *graph (5) pursuant to an agreement under sub-*
7 *section (b)(1).*

8 *“(D) The contribution of an eligible entity to the*
9 *acquisition costs of real property, or an interest in*
10 *real property, under paragraph (1)(B) may include,*
11 *with the approval of the Commandant, the following:*

12 *“(i) The provision of funds, including funds*
13 *received by the eligible entity from—*

14 *“(I) a Federal agency outside the de-*
15 *partment in which the Coast Guard is oper-*
16 *ating; or*

17 *“(II) a State or local government in*
18 *connection with a Federal, State, or local*
19 *program.*

20 *“(ii) The provision of in-kind services, in-*
21 *cluding services related to the acquisition or*
22 *maintenance of such real property or interest in*
23 *real property.*

24 *“(iii) The exchange or donation of real*
25 *property or any interest in real property.*

1 “(iv) Any combination of clauses (i)
2 through (iii).

3 “(5)(A) In entering into an agreement under sub-
4 section (b)(1), each eligible entity that is a party to the
5 agreement shall agree, as a term of the agreement, to trans-
6 fer to the United States, upon request of the Commandant,
7 all or a portion of the property or interest acquired under
8 the agreement or a lesser interest therein, except no such
9 requirement need be included in the agreement if—

10 “(i) the property or interest is being trans-
11 ferred to a State or another Federal agency, or
12 the agreement requires the property or interest to
13 be subsequently transferred to a State or another
14 Federal agency; and

15 “(ii) the Commandant determines that the
16 laws and regulations applicable to the future use
17 of such property or interest provide adequate as-
18 surance that the property concerned will be de-
19 veloped and used in a manner appropriate for
20 purposes of this subsection.

21 “(B) The Commandant shall limit a transfer re-
22 quest pursuant to subparagraph (A) to the minimum
23 property or interests necessary to ensure that the
24 property or interest concerned is developed and used

1 *in a manner appropriate for purposes of this sub-*
2 *section.*

3 “(C)(i) *Notwithstanding paragraph (A), If all or*
4 *a portion of a property or interest acquired under an*
5 *agreement under subsection (b)(1) is initially or sub-*
6 *sequently transferred to a State or another Federal*
7 *agency, before that State or other Federal agency may*
8 *declare the property or interest in excess to its needs*
9 *or propose to exchange the property or interest, the*
10 *State or other Federal agency shall give the Com-*
11 *mandant reasonable advance notice of its intent to so*
12 *declare.*

13 “(ii) *Upon receiving such reasonable ad-*
14 *vance notice under clause (i), the Commandant*
15 *may request, within a reasonable time period,*
16 *that administrative jurisdiction over the prop-*
17 *erty or interest be transferred to the Com-*
18 *mandant, if the Commandant determines such*
19 *transfer necessary for the preservation of the*
20 *purposes of this subsection.*

21 “(iii) *Upon a request from the Com-*
22 *mandant under clause (ii), the administrative*
23 *jurisdiction over the property or interest be*
24 *transferred to the Commandant at no cost.*

1 “(iv) If the Commandant does not make a
2 request under clause (ii) within a reasonable
3 time period, all such rights of the Commandant
4 to request transfer of administrative jurisdiction
5 over the property or interest shall remain avail-
6 able to the Commandant with respect to future
7 transfers or exchanges of the property or interest
8 and shall bind all subsequent transferees.

9 “(D) The Commandant may accept, on behalf of
10 the United States, any property or interest to be
11 transferred to the United States under an agreement
12 under subsection (b)(1).

13 “(E) For purposes of the acceptance of property
14 or interests under an agreement under subsection
15 (b)(1), the Commandant may accept an appraisal or
16 title documents prepared or adopted by a non-Federal
17 entity as satisfying the applicable requirements of sec-
18 tion 301 of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and
19 Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42
20 U.S.C. 4651) or section 3111 of title 40 if the Com-
21 mandant finds that the appraisal or title documents
22 substantially comply with the requirements of such
23 sections and is reasonably accurate.

24 “(e) MINIMAL CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF AGREE-
25 MENTS.—The Commandant may approve a cooperative

1 *agreement under subsection (b)(1) if the Commandant de-*
 2 *termines that—*

3 “(1) *the eligible entity has authority to carry out*
 4 *the project;*

5 “(2) *the project would be completed without un-*
 6 *reasonable delay as determined by the Commandant;*
 7 *and*

8 “(3) *the project cannot be effectively completed*
 9 *without the cooperative agreement authority under*
 10 *subsection (b)(1).*

11 “(f) *ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Com-*
 12 *mandant may require such additional terms and conditions*
 13 *in an agreement under subsection (b)(1) as the Com-*
 14 *mandant considers appropriate to protect the interests of*
 15 *the United States, in accordance with applicable Federal*
 16 *law.*

17 “(g) *NOTIFICATION; AVAILABILITY OF AGREEMENTS*
 18 *TO CONGRESS.—*

19 “(1) *NOTIFICATION.—The Commandant shall no-*
 20 *tify the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-*
 21 *portation or the Committee on Homeland Security*
 22 *and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Com-*
 23 *mittee on Indian Affairs of the Senate when the eligi-*
 24 *ble entity is a Tribe, Tribal Organization or Native*
 25 *Hawaiian organization, and the Committee on*

1 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of*
 2 *Representatives in writing not later than the date*
 3 *that is 3 full business days prior to any day on which*
 4 *the Commandant intends to enter into an agreement*
 5 *under subsection (b)(1), and include in such notifica-*
 6 *tion the anticipated costs of carrying out the agree-*
 7 *ment, to the extent practicable.*

8 “(2) *AVAILABILITY OF AGREEMENTS.*—*A copy of*
 9 *an agreement entered into under subsection (b)(1)*
 10 *shall be provided to any member of the Committee on*
 11 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation or the Com-*
 12 *mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-*
 13 *airs of the Senate or the Committee on Transpor-*
 14 *tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*
 15 *tives not later than 5 full business days after the date*
 16 *on which such request is submitted to the Com-*
 17 *mandant.*

18 “(h) *CONSULTATION.*—*Not later than 180 days after*
 19 *the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act*
 20 *of 2025, the Commandant shall consult with Indian Tribes*
 21 *to improve opportunities for Indian Tribe participation in*
 22 *the development and execution of Coast Guard oil spill re-*
 23 *sponse and prevention activities.*

24 “(i) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this sec-*
 25 *tion may be construed to undermine the rights of any In-*

1 *dian Tribe to seek full and meaningful government-to-gov-*
 2 *ernment consultation under this section or under any other*
 3 *law.”.*

4 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
 5 *7 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
 6 *after the item relating to section 721 the following:*

“722. Cooperation with eligible entities.”.

7 **SEC. 216. CYBER COORDINATION AND SUPPORT IN FOR-**
 8 **EIGN TERRITORIES.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Chapter 7 of title 14, United States*
 10 *Code, is further amended by inserting after section 722 (as*
 11 *added by this Act) the following:*

12 **“§ 723. Cyber coordination in foreign territories**

13 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary, acting through the*
 14 *Commandant, may coordinate with a foreign entity to pro-*
 15 *vide cyber prevention and response assistance related to the*
 16 *marine transportation systems and assets located outside*
 17 *the United States that have a nexus to the United States*
 18 *Marine Transportation System or illegal, unreported, and*
 19 *unregulated fishing.*

20 “(b) *TYPES OF SUPPORT.*—*The Commandant may*
 21 *conduct cyber assessments, audits, inspections, operations,*
 22 *or other activities as provided under subsection (a).*

23 “(c) *COORDINATION.*—*The Secretary may provide sup-*
 24 *port under subsections (a) and (b) after coordination with*
 25 *the Secretary of State.*

1 “(d) *REIMBURSEMENT AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary*
 2 *may require reimbursement from a foreign entity for costs*
 3 *incurred by the Coast Guard for assistance provided under*
 4 *subsection (a).*

5 “(e) *DEFINITION.*—*In this section, the term ‘foreign*
 6 *entity’ includes foreign governments and intergovernmental*
 7 *organizations the Secretary considers appropriate.”.*

8 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
 9 *7 of such title is further amended by inserting after the item*
 10 *relating to section 722 (as added by this Act) the following:*
 “723. Cyber coordination in foreign territories.”.

11 **SEC. 217. MODIFICATION OF TREATMENT OF MINOR CON-**
 12 **STRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**
 13 **MANAGEMENT.**

14 Section 903(d)(1) of title 14, United States Code, is
 15 amended by striking “\$1,500,000” and inserting
 16 “\$4,000,000”.

17 **SEC. 218. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR SPECIAL PUR-**
 18 **POSE FACILITIES.**

19 Section 907 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-
 20 ed—

21 (1) in subsection (a), in the first sentence—

22 (A) by striking “20 years” and inserting
 23 “30 years”;

24 (B) by striking “or National” and inserting
 25 “National”; and

1 (C) by inserting before the period “, medical
 2 facilities, Coast Guard child development centers
 3 (as such term is defined in section 2921), and
 4 training facilities, including small arms firing
 5 ranges”; and

6 (2) in subsection (b)—

7 (A) by striking the period and inserting a
 8 semicolon;

9 (B) by striking “means any facilities” and
 10 inserting “means—

11 “(1) any facilities”; and

12 (C) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(2) medical facilities;

14 “(3) Coast Guard child development centers (as
 15 such term is defined in section 2921); and

16 “(4) training facilities, including small arms fir-
 17 ing ranges.”.

18 **SEC. 219. PREPAREDNESS PLANS FOR COAST GUARD PROP-**
 19 **ERTIES LOCATED IN TSUNAMI INUNDATION**
 20 **ZONES.**

21 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year after the date
 22 of enactment of this Act, the Commandant, in consultation
 23 with the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmos-
 24 pheric Administration and the heads of other appropriate

1 *Federal agencies, shall develop a location-specific tsunami*
2 *preparedness plan for each property concerned.*

3 (b) *REQUIREMENTS.—In developing each preparedness*
4 *plan under subsection (a), the Commandant shall ensure*
5 *that the plan—*

6 (1) *minimizes the loss of human life;*

7 (2) *maximizes the ability of the Coast Guard to*
8 *meet the mission of the Coast Guard;*

9 (3) *is included in the emergency action plan for*
10 *each Coast Guard unit or sector located within the*
11 *applicable tsunami inundation zone;*

12 (4) *designates an evacuation route to an assem-*
13 *bly area located outside the tsunami inundation zone;*

14 (5) *takes into consideration near-shore and dis-*
15 *tant tsunami inundation of the property concerned;*

16 (6) *includes—*

17 (A) *maps of all applicable tsunami inunda-*
18 *tion zones;*

19 (B) *evacuation routes and instructions for*
20 *all individuals located on the property con-*
21 *cerned;*

22 (C) *procedures to begin evacuations as expe-*
23 *ditiously as possible upon detection of a seismic*
24 *or other tsunamigenic event;*

1 (D) evacuation plans for Coast Guard avia-
2 tion and afloat assets; and

3 (E)(i) routes for evacuation on foot from
4 any location within the property concerned; or

5 (ii) if an on-foot evacuation is not possible,
6 an assessment of whether there is a need for
7 vertical evacuation refuges that would allow
8 evacuation on foot;

9 (7) in the case of a property concerned that is
10 at risk for a near-shore tsunami, is able to be com-
11 pletely executed within 15 minutes of detection of a
12 seismic event, or if complete execution is not possible
13 within 15 minutes, within a timeframe the Com-
14 mandant considers reasonable to minimize the loss of
15 life; and

16 (8) not less frequently than annually, is—

17 (A) exercised by each Coast Guard unit and
18 sector located in the applicable tsunami inunda-
19 tion zone;

20 (B) communicated through an annual in-
21 person training to Coast Guard personnel and
22 dependents located or living on the property con-
23 cerned; and

24 (C) evaluated by the relevant District Com-
25 mander for each Coast Guard unit and sector lo-

1 *cated within the applicable tsunami inundation*
 2 *zone.*

3 (c) *CONSULTATION.*—*In developing each preparedness*
 4 *plan under subsection (a), the Commandant shall consult*
 5 *relevant State, Tribal, and local government entities, in-*
 6 *cluding emergency management officials.*

7 (d) *BRIEFING.*—*Not later than 14 months after the*
 8 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall pro-*
 9 *vide a briefing to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
 10 *Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Trans-*
 11 *portation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*
 12 *tives on each plan developed under subsection (a), including*
 13 *the status of implementation and feasibility of each such*
 14 *plan.*

15 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

16 (1) *PROPERTY CONCERNED.*—*The term “prop-*
 17 *erty concerned” means any real property owned, op-*
 18 *erated, or leased by the Coast Guard within a tsu-*
 19 *nami inundation zone.*

20 (2) *TSUNAMIGENIC EVENT.*—*The term*
 21 *“tsunamigenic event” means any event, such as an*
 22 *earthquake, volcanic eruption, submarine landslide,*
 23 *coastal rockfall, or other event, with the magnitude to*
 24 *cause a tsunami.*

1 (3) *VERTICAL EVACUATION REFUGE*.—*The term*
 2 *“vertical evacuation refuge” means a structure or*
 3 *earthen mound designated as a place of refuge in the*
 4 *event of a tsunami, with sufficient height to elevate*
 5 *evacuees above the tsunami inundation depth, de-*
 6 *signed and constructed to resist tsunami load effects.*

7 **SEC. 220. ADDITIONAL PRIBILOF ISLAND TRANSITION COM-**
 8 **PLETION ACTIONS.**

9 *Section 11221 of the Don Young Coast Guard Author-*
 10 *ization Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–263) is amended by*
 11 *adding at the end the following:*

12 *“(e) ADDITIONAL REPORTS ON STATUS OF USE OF FA-*
 13 *CILITIES AND HELICOPTER BASING*.—*Beginning with the*
 14 *first quarterly report required under subsection (a) sub-*
 15 *mitted after the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Au-*
 16 *thorization Act of 2025, the Secretary shall include in each*
 17 *such report—*

18 *“(1) the status of the use of recently renovated*
 19 *Coast Guard housing facilities, food preparation fa-*
 20 *cilities, and maintenance and repair facilities on St.*
 21 *Paul Island, Alaska, including a projected date for*
 22 *full use and occupancy of such facilities in support*
 23 *of Coast Guard missions in the Bering Sea; and*

24 *“(2) a detailed plan for the acquisition and con-*
 25 *struction of a hangar in close proximity to existing*

1 *St. Paul airport facilities for the prosecution of Coast*
 2 *Guard operational missions, including plans for the*
 3 *use of land needed for such hangar.”.*

4 **SEC. 221. SCIENTIFIC MISSION FOR USCGC STORIS.**

5 *Section 11223 of Don Young Coast Guard Authoriza-*
 6 *tion Act of 2022 (14 U.S.C. 561 note) is amended—*

7 *(1) in subsection (d)—*

8 *(A) in paragraph (2)—*

9 *(i) in the matter preceding subpara-*
 10 *graph (A) by striking “retrofitting”;*

11 *(ii) in subparagraph (A)—*

12 *(I) by inserting “retrofitting,” be-*
 13 *fore “maintenance”; and*

14 *(II) by striking “the science*
 15 *party” and inserting “costs described*
 16 *in paragraph (3)”;* and

17 *(B) by amending paragraph (4) to read as*
 18 *follows:*

19 “(4) *MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT.—*

20 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The Commandant—*

21 *“(i) shall enter into a memorandum of*
 22 *agreement with the Under Secretary to*
 23 *allow the Under Secretary to use any vessel*
 24 *acquired under this section to conduct re-*
 25 *search, and facilitate science activities, data*

1 *collection, and other procedures necessary to*
2 *carry out the purposes described in sub-*
3 *section (c); and*

4 “(ii) *may enter into a memorandum of*
5 *agreement with any other Federal, State,*
6 *local government entity, institution of high-*
7 *er education, or research institution to use*
8 *any vessel acquired under this section to*
9 *conduct research to facilitate science activi-*
10 *ties, data collection, and other procedures*
11 *necessary to allow such an entity or institu-*
12 *tion to carry out the purposes described in*
13 *subsection (c).*

14 “(B) *PROHIBITION.—The Commandant*
15 *may not charge the Under Secretary or any*
16 *other entity with whom the Commandant enters*
17 *into a memorandum of agreement under sub-*
18 *paragraph (A) any fee related to use or oper-*
19 *ation of any vessel acquired under this section.*

20 “(C) *RESTRICTION.—The Commandant*
21 *may only allow the use of any vessel acquired*
22 *under this section under any memorandum of*
23 *agreement entered into under this paragraph if*
24 *such use is not inconsistent with the missions of*
25 *the Coast Guard.”; and*

1 (2) in subsection (j) by striking “through (c)”
 2 and inserting “and (b)”.

3 **SEC. 222. COAST GUARD ACCESS TO DEPARTMENT OF THE**
 4 **TREASURY FUND.**

5 (a) *INCLUSION OF COAST GUARD AS DEPARTMENT OF*
 6 *THE TREASURY LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATION.*—Sec-
 7 *tion 9705 of title 31, United States Code, is amended—*

8 (1) *in subsection (a), in the matter preceding*
 9 *paragraph (1) by striking “the Department of the*
 10 *Treasury or the United States Coast Guard” and in-*
 11 *serting “a Department of the Treasury law enforce-*
 12 *ment organization”;*

13 (2) *in subsection (a)(2)(B)—*

14 (A) *in clause (iv) by striking “and” at the*
 15 *end;*

16 (B) *in clause (v) by inserting “and” after*
 17 *the semicolon; and*

18 (C) *by adding at the end the following:*

19 “(vi) *the United States Coast Guard*
 20 *with respect to any law of the United States*
 21 *which the Coast Guard is authorized to en-*
 22 *force, assist in the enforcement of, or ad-*
 23 *minister pursuant to section 102, 522, or*
 24 *525 of title 14;”;*

1 (3) in subsection (a)(2)(H) by striking “the De-
 2 partment of the Treasury” and inserting “a Depart-
 3 ment of the Treasury law enforcement organization”;

4 (4) in subsection (d)(2) by striking “or the
 5 United States Coast Guard” each place it appears;

6 (5) in subsection (f)(1)(A)(ii) by striking “or the
 7 United States Coast Guard”;

8 (6) in subsection (h)(1) by striking “the Depart-
 9 ment of the Treasury” and inserting “a Department
 10 of the Treasury law enforcement organization”;

11 (7) in subsection (j)(1) by striking “the Depart-
 12 ment of the Treasury or the United States Coast
 13 Guard” and inserting “a Department of the Treasury
 14 law enforcement organization”;

15 (8) in subsection (l) by striking “the Department
 16 of the Treasury” and inserting “a Department of the
 17 Treasury law enforcement organization”; and

18 (9) in subsection (o)(1) by inserting “the United
 19 States Coast Guard,” before “the United States Cus-
 20 toms Service,”.

21 (b) *ELIMINATION OF SEPARATE FUNDS FOR THE*
 22 *COAST GUARD.*—Section 9705 of title 31, United States
 23 Code, is amended—

24 (1) by striking subsection (c);

25 (2) in subsection (g)(2) by striking “and (c)”;

1 (3) *by redesignating subsections (d) through (o)*
 2 *as subsections (c) through (n), respectively;*

3 (4) *by striking “subsection (d)” each place it ap-*
 4 *pears and inserting “subsection (c)”;*

5 (5) *by striking “subsection (e)” each place it ap-*
 6 *pears and inserting “subsection (d)”;* and

7 (6) *by striking “subsection (h)” each place it ap-*
 8 *pears and inserting “subsection (g)”.*

9 (c) *TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—Section 9705 of title*
 10 *31, United States Code, is amended—*

11 (1) *in subsection (f)(3)(C), as so redesignated, by*
 12 *striking “section 4(B) of 9703(g)” and inserting*
 13 *“paragraph (4)(B)”;*

14 (2) *in subsection (f)(4)(B), as so redesignated, by*
 15 *striking “for transfers pursuant to subparagraph*
 16 *(A)(ii) and”;*

17 (3) *in subsection (g)(2), as so redesignated, by*
 18 *striking “seizure of forfeiture” and inserting “seizure*
 19 *or forfeiture”;* and

20 (4) *in subsection (l), as so redesignated, by strik-*
 21 *ing “524(c)(11)” and inserting “524(c)”.*

22 (d) *UPDATES TO CROSS-REFERENCES.—*

23 (1) *TITLE 28.—Section 524(c) of title 28, United*
 24 *States Code, is amended—*

1 (A) in paragraph (4)(C) by striking
 2 “9705(g)(4)(A)” and inserting “9705(f)(4)(A)”;
 3 and

4 (B) in paragraph (10) by striking
 5 “9705(o)” and inserting “9705(n)”.

6 (2) TITLE 31.—Section 5340(1) of title 31,
 7 United States Code, is amended by striking “9705(o)”
 8 and inserting “9705(n)”.

9 (3) TITLE 39.—Section 2003(e)(1) of title 39,
 10 United States Code, is amended by striking “9705(o)”
 11 and inserting “9705(n)”.

12 ***Subtitle C—Acquisition***

13 ***SEC. 231. MODIFICATION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF LEAD*** 14 ***SYSTEMS INTEGRATORS.***

15 Section 1105 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-
 16 ed by adding at the end the following:

17 “(c) LEAD SYSTEMS INTEGRATOR DEFINED.—In this
 18 section, the term ‘lead systems integrator’ has the meaning
 19 given such term in section 805(c) of the National Defense
 20 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public Law 109–
 21 163).”.

22 ***SEC. 232. ACQUISITION IMPROVEMENTS.***

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 11 of title
 24 14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
 25 the following:

1 **“§ 1138. Service life extension programs**

2 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Requirements for a Level 1 or
3 Level 2 acquisition project or program under sections 1131
4 through 1134 shall not apply to an acquisition by the Coast
5 Guard that is a service life extension program.

6 “(b) *SERVICE LIFE EXTENSION PROGRAM DEFINED.*—
7 In this section, the term ‘service life extension program’
8 means a capital investment that is solely intended to extend
9 the service life and address obsolescence of components or
10 systems of a particular capability or asset.

11 **“§ 1139. Consideration of life-cycle cost estimates for**
12 **acquisition and procurement**

13 “In carrying out the acquisition and procurement of
14 vessels and aircraft, the Secretary of the department in
15 which the Coast Guard is operating, acting through the
16 Commandant, shall consider the life-cycle cost estimates of
17 vessels and aircraft, as applicable, during the design and
18 evaluation processes to the maximum extent practicable.

19 **“§ 1140. Contracts that provide best value for taxpayer**

20 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—In carrying out a Level 1 or Level
21 2 acquisition project or program under this subchapter, the
22 Commandant shall publicly announce all construction, de-
23 sign, and engineering requirements and negotiate contracts
24 for construction, design, and engineering services on the
25 basis of demonstrated competence and qualification for the

1 *type of professional services required and at fair and rea-*
 2 *sonable prices.*

3 “(b) *SELECTION PROCEDURE.—The following proce-*
 4 *dures shall apply to the procurement of Level 1 or Level*
 5 *2 acquisition project or program under this subchapter:*

6 “(1) *STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATION AND PER-*
 7 *FORMANCE.—The Commandant shall require prospec-*
 8 *tive contractors to submit a statement of qualifica-*
 9 *tions and performance data.*

10 “(2) *EVALUATION.—For each proposed project,*
 11 *the Commandant shall—*

12 “(A) *evaluate statements of qualifications*
 13 *and performance submitted by firms regarding*
 14 *the proposed project; and*

15 “(B) *conduct discussions with at least 3*
 16 *firms to consider anticipated concepts and com-*
 17 *pare alternative methods for furnishing services.*

18 “(3) *SELECTION.—From the firms with which*
 19 *discussions have been conducted under paragraph*
 20 *(2)(B), the Commandant shall select, in order of pref-*
 21 *erence, at least 3 firms that the Commandant con-*
 22 *siders most highly qualified to provide the services re-*
 23 *quired, based on criteria established and published by*
 24 *the Commandant.*

25 “(c) *NEGOTIATION OF CONTRACT.—*

1 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commandant shall ne-*
2 *gotiate a contract for construction, design, and engi-*
3 *neering services under this section at compensation*
4 *which the Commandant determines is fair and rea-*
5 *sonable to the Federal Government.*

6 “(2) *FAIR AND REASONABLE COMPENSATION.*—
7 *In determining fair and reasonable compensation, the*
8 *Commandant shall consider the scope, complexity,*
9 *professional nature, and estimated value of the serv-*
10 *ices to be rendered.*

11 “(3) *NEGOTIATION.*—*The Commandant shall at-*
12 *tempt to negotiate a contract with the most highly*
13 *qualified firm selected under subsection (b).*

14 “(4) *FURTHER NEGOTIATION.*—*If the Com-*
15 *mandant is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract*
16 *with the firm under paragraph (3), the Commandant*
17 *shall formally terminate negotiations with such firm*
18 *and undertake negotiations with the next most quali-*
19 *fied of the selected firms, continuing the process until*
20 *an agreement is reached.*

21 “(5) *ADDITIONAL FIRMS.*—*If the Commandant is*
22 *unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with any*
23 *of the selected firms, the Commandant shall select ad-*
24 *ditional firms in order of competence and qualifica-*

1 *tion and continue negotiations in accordance with*
 2 *this section until an agreement is reached.”.*

3 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 4 *11 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
 5 *after the item relating to section 1137 the following:*

“1138. Service life extension programs.

“1139. Consideration of life-cycle cost estimates for acquisition and procurement.

“1140. Contracts that provide best value for taxpayer.”.

6 **SEC. 233. RESTRICTION ON ACQUISITION, PROCUREMENT,**
 7 **OR CONSTRUCTION OF VESSELS IN FOREIGN**
 8 **SHIPYARDS.**

9 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1151 of title 14, United*
 10 *States Code, is amended to read as follows:*

11 **“§1151. Restriction on acquisition, procurement, or**
 12 **construction of vessels in foreign ship-**
 13 **yards**

14 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection*
 15 *(b), the Commandant may not lease, charter, or otherwise*
 16 *procure a vessel which contains a major component of the*
 17 *hull or superstructure constructed in a foreign shipyard.*

18 *“(b) EXCEPTIONS.—*

19 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—The President may authorize*
 20 *exceptions to the prohibition in subsection (a) when*
 21 *the President determines that it is in the national se-*
 22 *curity interest of the United States to address an im-*
 23 *mediate adverse effect on Coast Guard missions.*

1 “(2) *TIMING.*—An exception made by the Presi-
 2 dent under paragraph (1) shall not take effect until
 3 the President submits to the Committee on Transpor-
 4 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
 5 tives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
 6 Transportation of the Senate a written explanation of
 7 the circumstances requiring such an exception in the
 8 national security interest, including—

9 “(A) a confirmation that there are insuffi-
 10 cient qualified shipyards to meet the national se-
 11 curity interest without such an exception; and

12 “(B) actions taken by the President to en-
 13 able qualified United States shipyards to meet
 14 national security requirements prior to the
 15 issuance of such an exception”.

16 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 17 11 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by striking
 18 the item relating to section 1151 and inserting the fol-
 19 lowing:

 “1151. Restriction on acquisition, procurement, or construction of vessels in for-
 eign shipyards.”.

20 **SEC. 234. FLOATING DRYDOCK FOR UNITED STATES COAST**
 21 **GUARD YARD.**

22 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter III of chapter 11 of
 23 title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
 24 end the following:

1 **“§ 1159. Floating drydock for United States Coast**
2 **Guard Yard**

3 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in subsection*
4 *(b), the Commandant may not acquire, procure, or con-*
5 *struct a floating dry dock for the Coast Guard Yard.*

6 “(b) *PERMISSIBLE ACQUISITION, PROCUREMENT, OR*
7 *CONSTRUCTION METHODS.*—*Notwithstanding subsection*
8 *(a) of this section and section 1105(a), the Commandant*
9 *may—*

10 “(1) *provide for an entity other than the Coast*
11 *Guard to contract for the acquisition, procurement, or*
12 *construction of a floating drydock by contract, lease,*
13 *purchase, or other agreement;*

14 “(2) *construct a floating drydock at the Coast*
15 *Guard Yard; or*

16 “(3) *acquire or procure a commercially available*
17 *floating drydock.*

18 “(c) *EXEMPTIONS FROM REQUIREMENTS.*—*Sections*
19 *1131, 1132, 1133, and 1171 shall not apply to an acquisi-*
20 *tion or procurement under subsection (b).*

21 “(d) *DESIGN STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION PRAC-*
22 *TICES.*—*To the extent practicable, a floating drydock ac-*
23 *quired, procured, or constructed under this section shall re-*
24 *flect commercial design standards and commercial con-*
25 *struction practices that are consistent with the best interests*
26 *of the Federal Government.*

1 “(e) *BERTHING REQUIREMENT.*—Any floating drydock
2 acquired, procured, or constructed under subsection (b)
3 shall be berthed at the Coast Guard Yard in Baltimore,
4 Maryland, when lifting or maintaining vessels.

5 “(f) *FLOATING DRY DOCK DEFINED.*—In this section,
6 the term ‘floating dry dock’ means equipment that is—

7 “(1) constructed in the United States; and

8 “(2) capable of meeting the lifting and mainte-
9 nance requirements of an Offshore Patrol Cutter or a
10 National Security Cutter.”.

11 “(b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
12 11 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting
13 after the item relating to section 1158 the following:

“1159. Floating drydock for United States Coast Guard Yard.”.

14 **SEC. 235. GREAT LAKES ICEBREAKING.**

15 “(a) *GREAT LAKES ICEBREAKER AND ICEBREAKING*
16 *TUGS.*—

17 “(1) *STRATEGY.*—Not later than 90 days after the
18 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall
19 submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
20 Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on
21 Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of
22 Representatives a strategy detailing how the Coast
23 Guard will complete design and construction of a
24 Great Lakes icebreaker at least as capable as the
25 Coast Guard cutter Mackinaw (WLBB–30) as expedi-

1 *tiously as possible after funding is provided for such*
 2 *icebreaker, including providing a cost estimate and*
 3 *an estimated delivery timeline that would facilitate*
 4 *the expedited delivery detailed in the strategy.*

5 (2) *REPORT ON BAY CLASS ICEBREAKING TUG*
 6 *FLEET REPLACEMENT.*—*Not later than 1 year after*
 7 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
 8 *shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and*
 9 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
 10 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
 11 *tation of the Senate—*

12 (A) *a report that describes the strategy of*
 13 *the Coast Guard with respect to the replacement*
 14 *of the Bay class icebreaking tug fleet;*

15 (B) *in the case of such a strategy that re-*
 16 *sults in the replacement of the last Bay class*
 17 *icebreaking tug on a date that is more than 15*
 18 *years after such date of enactment, a plan to*
 19 *maintain the operational capabilities of the Bay*
 20 *class icebreaking tug fleet until the date on which*
 21 *such fleet is projected to be replaced; and*

22 (C) *in the case of such a plan that does not*
 23 *include the replacement of the main propulsion*
 24 *engines and marine gear components of the Bay*
 25 *class icebreaking tug fleet, an assessment of the*

1 *manner in which not replacing such engines and*
2 *gear components will effect the future operational*
3 *availability of such fleet.*

4 *(b) GREAT LAKES ICEBREAKER PILOT PROGRAM.—*
5 *Section 11212(a) of the Don Young Coast Guard Authoriza-*
6 *tion Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–263) is amended by add-*
7 *ing at the end the following:*

8 *“(4) PILOT PROGRAM.—*

9 *“(A) IN GENERAL.—During the 5 ice sea-*
10 *sons beginning after the date of enactment of this*
11 *Act, the Commandant shall conduct a pilot pro-*
12 *gram to determine the extent to which the Coast*
13 *Guard Great Lakes icebreaking cutter fleet is ca-*
14 *pable of maintaining tier one and tier two wa-*
15 *terways open 95 percent of the time during an*
16 *ice season.*

17 *“(B) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days*
18 *after the end of each of the 5 ice seasons begin-*
19 *ning after the date of enactment of this Act, the*
20 *Commandant shall submit to the Committee on*
21 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
22 *Senate and the Committee on Transportation*
23 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*
24 *tives a report that details—*

1 “(i) the results of the pilot program re-
2 quired under subparagraph (A); and

3 “(ii) any relevant new performance
4 measures implemented by the Coast Guard,
5 including the measures described in pages 5
6 through 7 of the report of the Coast Guard
7 titled ‘Domestic Icebreaking Operations’
8 and submitted to Congress on July 26,
9 2024, as required by section 11212(a)(3) of
10 the Don Young Coast Guard Authorization
11 Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–263), and the
12 results of the implementation of such meas-
13 ures.”.

14 (c) *MODIFICATION TO REPORTING REQUIREMENT RE-*
15 *LATING TO ICEBREAKING OPERATIONS IN GREAT LAKES.*—

16 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 11213(f) of the Don
17 Young Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2022 (Pub-
18 lic Law 117–263) is amended to read as follows:

19 “(f) *PUBLIC REPORT.*—Not later than July 1 after the
20 first winter in which the Commandant has submitted the
21 report required by paragraph (3) of section 11212(a), the
22 Commandant shall publish on a publicly accessible website
23 of the Coast Guard a report on the cost to the Coast Guard
24 of meeting the proposed standards described in paragraph
25 (2) of such section.”.

1 (2) *PUBLIC REPORT.*—Section 11272(c) of the
2 *James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act*
3 *for Fiscal Year 2023* is amended by adding at the end
4 *the following:*

5 “(7) *PUBLIC REPORT.*—

6 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 30 days
7 *after the date of enactment of the Coast Guard*
8 *Authorization Act of 2025, the Commandant*
9 *shall brief the Committee on Transportation and*
10 *Infrastructure of the House or Representatives*
11 *and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
12 *Transportation of the Senate on the cost to the*
13 *Coast Guard of meeting the requirements of sec-*
14 *tion 564 of title 14, United States Code, in fiscal*
15 *year 2024.*

16 “(B) *SECONDARY BRIEFINGS.*—Not later
17 *than November 1, 2025 and November, 1, 2026,*
18 *the Commandant shall brief the committees de-*
19 *scribed in subparagraph (A) on the cost to the*
20 *Coast Guard of meeting the requirements of sec-*
21 *tion 564 of title 14, United States Code, in fiscal*
22 *years 2025 and 2026, respectively.”.*

23 **SEC. 236. ENTITY OTHER THAN THE COAST GUARD.**

24 *Notwithstanding section 1105(a) of title 14, United*
25 *States Code, the Commandant may provide for an entity*

1 *other than the Coast Guard to contract for the acquisition,*
 2 *procurement, or construction of—*

3 *(1) the Arctic Security Cutters for which funds*
 4 *were appropriated under section 40001 of Public Law*
 5 *119–21; and*

6 *(2) all other vessels for which funds were appro-*
 7 *riated under section 40001 of Public Law 119–21.*

8 ***Subtitle D—Personnel***

9 ***SEC. 241. FAMILY LEAVE POLICIES FOR COAST GUARD.***

10 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2512 of title 14, United*
 11 *States Code, is amended—*

12 *(1) in the section heading by striking “**Leave**”*
 13 *and inserting “**Family leave**”;*

14 *(2) in subsection (a)—*

15 *(A) by striking “, United States Code,” and*
 16 *inserting “or, with respect to the reserve compo-*
 17 *nent of the Coast Guard, the Secretary of Defense*
 18 *promulgates a new regulation for members of the*
 19 *reserve component of the Coast Guard pursuant*
 20 *to section 711 of title 10,”;*

21 *(B) by striking “or adoption of a child”*
 22 *and inserting “or placement of a minor child*
 23 *with the member for adoption or long term foster*
 24 *care”;*

1 (C) by striking “and enlisted members” and
 2 inserting “, enlisted members, and members of
 3 the reserve component”; and

4 (D) by inserting “or, with respect to mem-
 5 bers of the reserve component of the Coast Guard,
 6 the Secretary of Defense” after “provided by the
 7 Secretary of the Navy”;

8 (3) in subsection (b)—

9 (A) in the subsection heading by striking
 10 “ADOPTION OF CHILD” and inserting “PLACE-
 11 MENT OF MINOR CHILD WITH MEMBER FOR
 12 ADOPTION OR LONG TERM FOSTER CARE”;

13 (B) by striking “and 704” and inserting “,
 14 704, and 711”;

15 (C) by striking “and enlisted members” and
 16 inserting “, enlisted members, and members of
 17 the reserve component”;

18 (D) by striking “the birth or adoption” in-
 19 serting “the birth, adoption, or long term foster
 20 care”;

21 (E) by striking “immediately”;

22 (F) by striking “such birth or adoption”
 23 and inserting “such birth, placement of a minor
 24 child with the member for long-term foster care,
 25 or adoption,”; and

1 (G) by striking “enlisted member” and in-
2 serting “, enlisted member, or member of the re-
3 serve component”; and

4 (4) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(c) *PERIOD OF LEAVE.*—

6 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of the depart-
7 ment in which the Coast Guard is operating, may au-
8 thorize leave described under subparagraph (b) to be
9 taken after the one-year period described in subpara-
10 graph (b) in the case of a member described in sub-
11 section (b) who, except for this subparagraph, would
12 lose unused family leave at the end of the one-year pe-
13 riod described in subparagraph (A) as a result of—

14 “(A) operational requirements;

15 “(B) professional military education obliga-
16 tions; or

17 “(C) other circumstances that the Secretary
18 determines reasonable and appropriate.

19 “(2) *EXTENDED DEADLINE.*—The regulation,
20 rule, policy, or memorandum prescribed under para-
21 graph (a) shall require that any leave authorized to
22 be taken after the one-year period described in sub-
23 paragraph (c)(1)(A) shall be taken within a reason-
24 able period of time, as determined by the Secretary of
25 the department in which the Coast Guard is oper-

1 *ating, after cessation of the circumstances warranting*
 2 *the extended deadline.*

3 *“(d) MEMBER OF THE RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE*
 4 *COAST GUARD DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘mem-*
 5 *ber of the reserve component of the Coast Guard’ means a*
 6 *member of the Coast Guard who is a member of—*

7 *“(1) the selected reserve who is entitled to com-*
 8 *pensation under section 206 of title 37; or*

9 *“(2) the individual ready reserve who is entitled*
 10 *to compensation under section 206 of title 37 when*
 11 *attending or participating in a sufficient number of*
 12 *periods of inactive-duty training during a year to*
 13 *count the year as a qualifying year of creditable serv-*
 14 *ice toward eligibility for retired pay.”.*

15 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 16 *25 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by striking*
 17 *the item relating to section 2512 and inserting the fol-*
 18 *lowing:*

“2512. Family leave policies for the Coast Guard.”.

19 *(c) COMPENSATION.—Section 206(a)(4) of title 37,*
 20 *United States Code, is amended by inserting before the pe-*
 21 *riod at the end “or family leave under section 2512 of title*
 22 *14”.*

1 **SEC. 242. MODIFICATIONS TO CAREER FLEXIBILITY PRO-**
2 **GRAM.**

3 *Section 2514 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
4 *ed—*

5 *(1) in subsection (c)(3) by striking “2 months”*
6 *and inserting “30 days”; and*

7 *(2) in subsection (h)—*

8 *(A) in paragraph (1) by striking “and” at*
9 *the end;*

10 *(B) in paragraph (2) by striking the period*
11 *and inserting a semicolon; and*

12 *(C) by adding at the end the following:*

13 *“(3) the entitlement of the member and of the*
14 *survivors of the member to all death benefits under*
15 *subchapter II of chapter 75 of title 10;*

16 *“(4) the provision of all travel and transpor-*
17 *tation allowances to family members of a deceased*
18 *member to attend the repatriation, burial, or memo-*
19 *rial ceremony of a deceased member as provided in*
20 *section 453(f) of title 37;*

21 *“(5) the eligibility of the member for general ben-*
22 *efits as provided in part II of title 38; and*

23 *“(6) in the case of a victim of an alleged sex-re-*
24 *lated offense (as such term is defined in section*
25 *1044e(h) of title 10) to the maximum extent prac-*
26 *ticable, maintaining access to—*

1 “(A) Coast Guard behavioral health re-
2 sources;

3 “(B) sexual assault prevention and response
4 resources and programs of the Coast Guard; and

5 “(C) Coast Guard legal resources, including,
6 to the extent practicable, special victims’ coun-
7 sel.”.

8 **SEC. 243. DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN PER-**
9 **SONNEL.**

10 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Subchapter I of chapter 25 of title
11 14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
12 the following:

13 **“§ 2517. Direct hire authority for certain personnel**

14 “(a) *IN GENERAL*.—The Commandant may appoint,
15 without regard to the provisions of subchapter I of chapter
16 33 (other than sections 3303 and 3328 of such chapter) of
17 title 5, qualified candidates to any of the following positions
18 in the competitive service (as defined in section 2102 of title
19 5) in the Coast Guard:

20 “(1) Any category of medical or health profes-
21 sional positions within the Coast Guard.

22 “(2) Any childcare services position.

23 “(3) Any position in the Coast Guard housing
24 office of a Coast Guard installation, the primary
25 function of which is supervision of Coast Guard hous-

1 *ing covered by subchapter III of chapter 29 of this*
2 *title.*

3 “(4) *Any nonclinical specialist position the pur-*
4 *pose of which is the integrated primary prevention of*
5 *harmful behavior, including suicide, sexual assault,*
6 *harassment, domestic abuse, and child abuse.*

7 “(5) *Any special agent position of the Coast*
8 *Guard Investigative Service.*

9 “(6) *The following positions at the Coast Guard*
10 *Academy:*

11 “(A) *Any civilian faculty member ap-*
12 *pointed under section 1941.*

13 “(B) *A position involving the improvement*
14 *of cadet health or well-being.*

15 “(b) *NONCOMPETITIVE APPOINTMENT.—The Secretary*
16 *may, without regard to the appointment requirements of*
17 *title 5, noncompetitively appoint a highly qualified can-*
18 *didate to a faculty position in the excepted service.*

19 “(c) *LIMITATION.—The Commandant shall only ap-*
20 *point qualified candidates under the authority provided by*
21 *subsections (a) and (b) if the Commandant determines that*
22 *there is a shortage of qualified candidates for the positions*
23 *described in such subsection or a critical hiring need for*
24 *such positions.*

1 “(d) *BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.*—Not later than 1 year
2 after the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authoriza-
3 tion Act of 2025, and annually thereafter for the following
4 5 years, the Commandant shall submit to the Committee
5 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Com-
6 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of
7 the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and In-
8 frastructure of the House of Representatives a written brief-
9 ing which describes the use of the authority provided under
10 this section on an annual basis, including the following:

11 “(1) *The number of employees hired under the*
12 *authority provided under this section within the year*
13 *for which the briefing is provided.*

14 “(2) *The positions and grades for which employ-*
15 *ees were hired.*

16 “(3) *A justification for the Commandant’s deter-*
17 *mination that such positions involved a shortage of*
18 *qualified candidates or a critical hiring need.*

19 “(4) *The number of employees who were hired*
20 *under the authority provided under this section who*
21 *have separated from the Coast Guard.*

22 “(5) *Steps the Coast Guard has taken to engage*
23 *with the Office of Personnel Management under sub-*
24 *part B of part 337 of title 5, Code of Federal Regula-*

1 *tions, for positions for which the Commandant deter-*
 2 *mines a direct hire authority remains necessary.*

3 *“(e) SUNSET.—The authority provided under sub-*
 4 *section (a) shall expire on September 30, 2030.”.*

5 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 6 *25 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
 7 *after the item relating to 2516 the following:*

“2517. Direct hire authority for certain personnel.”.

8 **SEC. 244. COMMAND SPONSORSHIP FOR DEPENDENTS OF**
 9 **MEMBERS OF COAST GUARD ASSIGNED TO**
 10 **UNALASKA, ALASKA.**

11 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 25 of title 14, United*
 12 *States Code, is further amended by inserting after section*
 13 *2517 (as added by this Act) the following:*

14 **“§2518. Command sponsorship**

15 *“On request by a member of the Coast Guard assigned*
 16 *to Unalaska, Alaska, the Commandant shall grant com-*
 17 *mand sponsorship to the dependents of such member.”.*

18 *(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 19 *25 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended by*
 20 *inserting after the item relating to section 2517 the fol-*
 21 *lowing:*

“2518. Command sponsorship.”.

1 **SEC. 245. AUTHORIZATION FOR MATERNITY UNIFORM AL-**
 2 **LOWANCE FOR OFFICERS.**

3 *Section 2708 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
 4 *ed by adding at the end the following:*

5 *“(c) The Coast Guard may provide a cash allowance,*
 6 *in such amount as the Secretary shall determine by policy,*
 7 *to be paid to pregnant officer personnel for the purchase*
 8 *of maternity-related uniform items, if such uniform items*
 9 *are not so furnished to the member by the Coast Guard.”.*

10 **SEC. 246. CONSOLIDATION OF AUTHORITIES FOR COLLEGE**
 11 **STUDENT PRECOMMISSIONING INITIATIVE.**

12 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3710 of title 14, United*
 13 *States Code, is amended to read as follows:*

14 **“§ 3710. College student precommissioning initiative**

15 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized within the*
 16 *Coast Guard a college student precommissioning initiative*
 17 *program (in this section referred to as the ‘Program’) for*
 18 *eligible undergraduate students to enlist in the Coast Guard*
 19 *Reserve and receive a commission as a Reserve officer.*

20 *“(b) CRITERIA FOR SELECTION.—To be eligible for the*
 21 *Program an applicant shall meet the following require-*
 22 *ments upon submitting an application:*

23 *“(1) AGE.—The applicant shall be not less than*
 24 *19 years old and not more than 31 years old as of*
 25 *September 30 of the fiscal year in which the Program*

1 *selection panel selecting such applicant convenes, or*
2 *an age otherwise determined by the Commandant.*

3 “(2) *CHARACTER.*—

4 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The applicant shall be*
5 *of outstanding moral character and meet any*
6 *other character requirement set forth by the Com-*
7 *mandant.*

8 “(B) *COAST GUARD APPLICANTS.*—*Any ap-*
9 *plicant serving in the Coast Guard may not be*
10 *commissioned if in the 36 months prior to the*
11 *first Officer Candidate School class convening*
12 *date in the selection cycle, such applicant was*
13 *convicted by a court-martial or assigned non-*
14 *judicial punishment, or did not meet perform-*
15 *ance or character requirements set forth by the*
16 *Commandant.*

17 “(3) *CITIZENSHIP.*—*The applicant shall be a*
18 *United States citizen.*

19 “(4) *CLEARANCE.*—*The applicant shall be eligi-*
20 *ble for a secret clearance.*

21 “(5) *EDUCATION.*—*The applicant shall be en-*
22 *rolled in a college degree program at—*

23 “(A) *an institution of higher education de-*
24 *scribed in section 371(a) of the Higher Edu-*
25 *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a));*

1 “(B) an institution of higher education (as
2 defined in section 101 of the Higher Education
3 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)) that, at the time
4 of the application has had for 3 consecutive
5 years an enrollment of undergraduate full-time
6 equivalent students (as defined in section 312(e)
7 of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1058(e))) that is a total
8 of at least 50 percent Black American, Hispanic
9 American, Asian American (as defined in section
10 371(c) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1067q(c))), Native
11 American Pacific Islander (as defined in such
12 section), or Native American (as defined in such
13 section), among other criteria, as determined by
14 the Commandant; or

15 “(C) an institution that meets the eligibility
16 requirements for funding as a rural-serving in-
17 stitution of higher education under section 861 of
18 the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
19 1161q).

20 “(6) LOCATION.—The institution at which the
21 applicant is an undergraduate shall be within 100
22 miles of a Coast Guard unit or Coast Guard Recruit-
23 ing Office unless otherwise approved by the Com-
24 mandant.

1 “(7) *RECORDS.*—*The applicant shall meet credit*
2 *and grade point average requirements set forth by the*
3 *Commandant.*

4 “(8) *MEDICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE.*—*The ap-*
5 *plicant shall meet other medical and administrative*
6 *requirements as set forth by the Commandant.*

7 “(c) *FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.*—

8 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commandant may pro-*
9 *vide financial assistance to enlisted members of the*
10 *Coast Guard Reserve on active duty participating in*
11 *the Program, for expenses of the enlisted member*
12 *while the enlisted member is enrolled, on a full-time*
13 *basis, in a college degree program approved by the*
14 *Commandant at a college, university, or institution of*
15 *higher education described in subsection (b)(5) that*
16 *leads to—*

17 “(A) *a baccalaureate degree in not more*
18 *than 5 academic years; or*

19 “(B) *a post-baccalaureate degree.*

20 “(2) *WRITTEN AGREEMENTS.*—*To be eligible for*
21 *financial assistance under this section, an enlisted*
22 *member of the Coast Guard Reserve shall enter into*
23 *a written agreement with the Coast Guard that noti-*
24 *fies the Reserve enlisted member of the obligations of*

1 *that member under this section, and in which the*
2 *member agrees to the following:*

3 “(A) *The member shall complete an ap-*
4 *proved college degree program at a college, uni-*
5 *versity, or institution of higher education de-*
6 *scribed in subsection (b)(5).*

7 “(B) *The member shall satisfactorily com-*
8 *plete all required Coast Guard training and par-*
9 *ticipate in monthly military activities of the*
10 *Program as required by the Commandant.*

11 “(C) *Upon graduation from the college, uni-*
12 *versity, or institution of higher education de-*
13 *scribed in subsection (b)(5), the member shall—*

14 “(i) *accept an appointment, if ten-*
15 *dered, as a commissioned officer in the*
16 *Coast Guard Reserve; and*

17 “(ii) *serve a period of obligated active*
18 *duty for a minimum of 3 years imme-*
19 *diately after such appointment as follows:*

20 “(I) *Members participating in the*
21 *Program shall be obligated to serve on*
22 *active duty 3 months for each month of*
23 *instruction for which they receive fi-*
24 *nancial assistance pursuant to this sec-*
25 *tion for the first 12 months and 1*

1 *month for each month thereafter, or 3*
2 *years, whichever is greater.*

3 “(II) *The period of obligated ac-*
4 *tive duty service incurred while par-*
5 *ticipating in the Program shall be in*
6 *addition to any other obligated service*
7 *a member may incur due to receiving*
8 *other bonuses or other benefits as part*
9 *of any other Coast Guard program.*

10 “(III) *If an appointment de-*
11 *scribed in clause (i) is not tendered,*
12 *the member will remain in the Reserve*
13 *component until completion of the*
14 *member’s enlisted service obligation.*

15 “(D) *The member shall agree to perform*
16 *such duties or complete such terms under the*
17 *conditions of service specified by the Coast*
18 *Guard.*

19 “(3) *EXPENSES.—Expenses for which financial*
20 *assistance may be provided under this section are the*
21 *following:*

22 “(A) *Tuition and fees charged by the college,*
23 *university, or institution of higher education at*
24 *which a member is enrolled on a full-time basis.*

25 “(B) *The cost of books.*

1 “(C) *In the case of a program of education*
2 *leading to a baccalaureate degree, laboratory ex-*
3 *penses.*

4 “(D) *Such other expenses as the Com-*
5 *mandant considers appropriate, which may not*
6 *exceed \$25,000 for any academic year.*

7 “(4) *TIME LIMIT.—Financial assistance may be*
8 *provided to a member under this section for up to 5*
9 *consecutive academic years.*

10 “(5) *BREACH OF AGREEMENT.—*

11 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may re-*
12 *tain in the Coast Guard Reserve, and may order*
13 *to active duty for such period of time as the Sec-*
14 *retary prescribes (but not to exceed 4 years), a*
15 *member who breaches an agreement under para-*
16 *graph (2). The period of time for which a mem-*
17 *ber is ordered to active duty under this para-*
18 *graph may be determined without regard to sec-*
19 *tion 651(a) of title 10.*

20 “(B) *APPROPRIATE ENLISTED GRADE OR*
21 *RATING.—A member who is retained in the Coast*
22 *Guard Reserve under subparagraph (A) shall be*
23 *retained in an appropriate enlisted grade or rat-*
24 *ing, as determined by the Commandant.*

1 “(6) *REPAYMENT*.—A member who does not ful-
2 fill the terms of the obligation to serve as specified
3 under paragraph (2), or the alternative obligation
4 imposed under paragraph (5), shall be subject to the
5 repayment provisions of section 303a(e) of title 37.

6 “(d) *BRIEFING*.—

7 “(1) *IN GENERAL*.—Not later than August 15 of
8 each year following the date of the enactment of the
9 Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025, the Com-
10 mandant shall provide a briefing to the Committee on
11 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate
12 and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastruc-
13 ture of the House of Representatives on the Program.

14 “(2) *CONTENTS*.—The briefing required under
15 paragraph (1) shall describe—

16 “(A) outreach and recruitment efforts over
17 the previous year; and

18 “(B) demographic information of enrollees,
19 including—

20 “(i) race;

21 “(ii) ethnicity;

22 “(iii) gender;

23 “(iv) geographic origin; and

24 “(v) educational institution.”.

1 (b) *REPEAL.*—Section 2131 of title 14, United States
2 Code, is repealed.

3 (c) *CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.*—

4 (1) The analysis for chapter 21 of title 14,
5 United States Code, is amended by striking the item
6 relating to section 2131.

7 (2) The analysis for chapter 37 of title 14,
8 United States Code, is amended by striking the item
9 relating to section 3710 and inserting the following:

“3710. College student precommissioning initiative.”.

10 **SEC. 247. ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE GUIDANCE AND CONSID-**
11 **ERATIONS FOR RESERVE SELECTION**
12 **BOARDS.**

13 Section 3740(f) of title 14, United States Code, is
14 amended by striking “section 2117” and inserting “sections
15 2115 and 2117”.

16 **SEC. 248. HOUSING.**

17 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter III of chapter 29 of
18 title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
19 end the following:

20 **“§ 2948. Authorization for acquisition of existing fam-**
21 **ily housing in lieu of construction**

22 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—In lieu of constructing any family
23 housing units authorized by law to be constructed and sub-
24 ject to the availability of appropriations, the Commandant
25 may acquire sole interest in existing family housing units

1 *that are privately owned or that are held by the Department*
 2 *of Housing and Urban Development, except that in foreign*
 3 *countries the Commandant may acquire less than sole inter-*
 4 *est in existing family housing units.*

5 “(b) *ACQUISITION OF INTERESTS IN LAND.*—When au-
 6 *thority provided by law to construct Coast Guard family*
 7 *housing units is used to acquire existing family housing*
 8 *units under subsection (a), the authority includes authority*
 9 *to acquire interests in land.*

10 “(c) *LIMITATION ON NET FLOOR AREA.*—The net floor
 11 *area of a family housing unit acquired under the authority*
 12 *of this section may not exceed the applicable limitation*
 13 *specified in section 2826 of title 10. The Commandant may*
 14 *waive the limitation set forth in the preceding sentence for*
 15 *family housing units acquired under this section during the*
 16 *five-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of*
 17 *this section.*

18 **“§ 2949. Acceptance of funds to cover administrative**
 19 ***expenses relating to certain real property***
 20 ***transactions***

21 “(a) *AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT.*—In connection with a
 22 *real property transaction referred to in subsection (b) with*
 23 *a non-Federal person or entity, the Commandant may ac-*
 24 *cept amounts provided by the person or entity to cover ad-*

1 *ministrative expenses incurred by the Commandant in en-*
 2 *tering into the transaction.*

3 “(b) *COVERED TRANSACTIONS.*—Subsection (a) ap-
 4 *plies to the following transactions involving real property*
 5 *under the control of the Commandant:*

6 “(1) *The exchange of real property.*

7 “(2) *The grant of an easement over, in, or upon*
 8 *real property of the United States.*

9 “(3) *The lease or license of real property of the*
 10 *United States.*

11 “(4) *The disposal of real property of the United*
 12 *States for which the Commandant will be the disposal*
 13 *agent.*

14 “(5) *The conveyance of real property under sec-*
 15 *tion 2945.”.*

16 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 17 29 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding
 18 at the end the following:

“2948. *Authorization for acquisition of existing family housing in lieu of con-*
struction.

“2949. *Acceptance of funds to cover administrative expenses relating to certain*
real property transactions.”.

19 (c) *REPORT ON GAO RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOUSING*
 20 *PROGRAM.*—Not later than 1 year after the date of enact-
 21 ment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit to the Com-
 22 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House
 23 of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,

1 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report on the*
 2 *status of the implementation of the recommendations con-*
 3 *tained in the report of the Government Accountability Of-*
 4 *fice titled “Coast Guard: Better Feedback Collection and In-*
 5 *formation Could Enhance Housing Program”, and issued*
 6 *February 5, 2024 (GAO–24–106388).*

7 **SEC. 249. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.**

8 (a) *COAST GUARD EMBEDDED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH*
 9 *TECHNICIAN PROGRAM.—*

10 (1) *ESTABLISHMENT.—*

11 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days*
 12 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
 13 *mandant, in coordination with the Assistant*
 14 *Commandant for Health, Safety, and Work Life,*
 15 *shall establish and conduct a pilot program, to*
 16 *be known as the “Coast Guard Embedded Behav-*
 17 *ioral Health Technician Program” (referred to*
 18 *in this section as the “Pilot Program”), to inte-*
 19 *grate behavioral health technicians serving at*
 20 *Coast Guard units for the purposes of—*

21 (i) *facilitating, at the clinic level, the*
 22 *provision of integrated behavioral health*
 23 *care for members of the Coast Guard;*

24 (ii) *providing, as a force extender*
 25 *under the supervision of a licensed behav-*

1 ioral health care provider, at the clinic
2 level—

3 (I) psychological assessment and
4 diagnostic services, as appropriate;

5 (II) behavioral health services, as
6 appropriate;

7 (III) education and training re-
8 lated to promoting positive behavioral
9 health and well-being; and

10 (IV) information and resources,
11 including expedited referrals, to assist
12 members of the Coast Guard in dealing
13 with behavioral health concerns;

14 (iii) improving resilience and mental
15 health care among members of the Coast
16 Guard who respond to extraordinary calls
17 of duty, with the ultimate goals of pre-
18 venting crises and addressing mental health
19 concerns before such concerns evolve into
20 more complex issues that require care at a
21 military treatment facility;

22 (iv) increasing—

23 (I) the number of such members
24 served by behavioral health technicians;
25 and

1 (II) the proportion of such mem-
2 bers returning to duty after seeking be-
3 havioral health care; and

4 (v) positively impacting the Coast
5 Guard in a cost-effective manner by extend-
6 ing behavioral health services to the work-
7 force and improving access to care.

8 (B) *BRIEFING*.—Not later than 120 days
9 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
10 mandant shall provide the Committee on Com-
11 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate
12 and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
13 structure of the House of Representatives with a
14 briefing regarding a plan to establish and con-
15 duct the Pilot Program.

16 (2) *SELECTION OF COAST GUARD CLINICS*.—The
17 Commandant shall select, for participation in the
18 Pilot Program, 3 or more Coast Guard clinics that
19 support units that have significantly high operational
20 tempos or other force resiliency risks, as determined
21 by the Commandant.

22 (3) *PLACEMENT OF STAFF AT COAST GUARD*
23 *CLINICS*.—

24 (A) *IN GENERAL*.—Under the Pilot Pro-
25 gram, a Coast Guard health services technician

1 *with a grade of E-5 or higher, or an assigned*
 2 *civilian behavioral health specialist, shall be—*

3 *(i) assigned to each selected Coast*
 4 *Guard clinic; and*

5 *(ii) located at a unit with high oper-*
 6 *ational tempo.*

7 *(B) TRAINING.—*

8 *(i) HEALTH SERVICES TECHNICIANS.—*
 9 *Before commencing an assignment at a*
 10 *Coast Guard clinic under subparagraph*
 11 *(A), a Coast Guard health services techni-*
 12 *cian shall complete behavioral health techni-*
 13 *cian training and independent duty health*
 14 *services training.*

15 *(ii) CIVILIAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH*
 16 *SPECIALISTS.—To qualify for an assign-*
 17 *ment at a Coast Guard clinic under sub-*
 18 *paragraph (A), a civilian behavioral health*
 19 *specialist shall have at least the equivalent*
 20 *behavioral health training as the training*
 21 *required for a Coast Guard behavioral*
 22 *health technician under clause (i).*

23 *(4) ADMINISTRATION.—The Commandant, in co-*
 24 *ordination with the Assistant Commandant for*
 25 *Health, Safety, and Work Life, shall administer the*

1 *Pilot Program through the Health, Safety, and Work-*
2 *Life Service Center.*

3 (5) *DATA COLLECTION.*—

4 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commandant shall*
5 *collect and analyze data concerning the Pilot*
6 *Program for purposes of—*

7 (i) *developing and sharing best prac-*
8 *tices for improving access to behavioral*
9 *health care; and*

10 (ii) *providing information to the Com-*
11 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-*
12 *portation of the Senate and the Committee*
13 *on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
14 *House of Representatives regarding the im-*
15 *plementation of the Pilot Program and re-*
16 *lated policy issues.*

17 (B) *PLAN.*—*Not later than 270 days after*
18 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
19 *mandant shall submit to the Committee on Com-*
20 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate*
21 *and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*
22 *structure of the House of Representatives a plan*
23 *for carrying out subparagraph (A).*

24 (6) *ANNUAL REPORT.*—*Not later than September*
25 *1 of each year until the date on which the Pilot Pro-*

1 *gram terminates under paragraph (7), the Com-*
2 *mandant shall submit to the Committee on Com-*
3 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and*
4 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*
5 *of the House of Representatives a report on the Pilot*
6 *Program that includes the following:*

7 *(A) An overview of the implementation of*
8 *the Pilot Program at each applicable Coast*
9 *Guard clinic, including—*

10 *(i) the number of members of the Coast*
11 *Guard who received services on site by a be-*
12 *havioral health technician assigned to such*
13 *clinic;*

14 *(ii) feedback from all members of the*
15 *Coast Guard empaneled for their medical*
16 *care under the Pilot Program;*

17 *(iii) an assessment of the deployability*
18 *and overall readiness of members of the ap-*
19 *plicable operational unit; and*

20 *(iv) an estimate of potential costs and*
21 *impacts on other Coast Guard health care*
22 *services of supporting the Pilot Program at*
23 *such units and clinics.*

24 *(B) The data and analysis required under*
25 *paragraph (5)(A).*

1 (C) *A list and detailed description of lessons*
2 *learned from the Pilot Program as of the date of*
3 *on which the report is submitted.*

4 (D) *The feasibility, estimated cost, and im-*
5 *pacts on other Coast Guard health care services*
6 *of expanding the Pilot Program to all Coast*
7 *Guard clinics, and a description of the per-*
8 *sonnel, fiscal, and administrative resources that*
9 *would be needed for such an expansion.*

10 (7) *TERMINATION.—The Pilot Program shall ter-*
11 *minate on September 30, 2029.*

12 (b) *BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SPECIALIST.—*

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
14 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
15 *shall hire, train, and deploy not fewer than 5 addi-*
16 *tional behavioral health specialists, in addition to the*
17 *personnel required under section 11412(a) of the Don*
18 *Young Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2022 (14*
19 *U.S.C. 504 note).*

20 (2) *REQUIREMENT.—The Commandant shall en-*
21 *sure that not fewer than 35 percent of behavioral*
22 *health specialists required to be deployed under para-*
23 *graph (1) have experience in—*

24 (A) *behavioral health care related to mili-*
25 *tary sexual trauma; and*

1 (B) behavioral health care for the purpose of
2 supporting members of the Coast Guard with
3 needs for mental health care and counseling serv-
4 ices for post-traumatic stress disorder and co-oc-
5 curring disorders related to military sexual trau-
6 ma.

7 (3) *ACCESSIBILITY.*—The support provided by
8 the behavioral health specialists hired pursuant to
9 paragraph (1)—

10 (A) may include care delivered via telemedi-
11 cine; and

12 (B) shall be made widely available to mem-
13 bers of the Coast Guard.

14 (4) *NOTIFICATION.*—

15 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days
16 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
17 mandant shall notify the Committee on Com-
18 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate
19 and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
20 structure of the House of Representatives if the
21 Coast Guard has not completed hiring, training,
22 and deploying—

23 (i) the personnel referred to in para-
24 graphs (1) and (2); and

1 (ii) the personnel required under sec-
2 tion 11412(a) of the Don Young Coast
3 Guard Authorization Act of 2022 (14
4 U.S.C. 504 note).

5 (B) CONTENTS.—The notification required
6 under subparagraph (A) shall include—

7 (i) the date of publication of the hiring
8 opportunity for all such personnel;

9 (ii) the General Schedule grade level
10 advertised in the publication of the hiring
11 opportunity for all such personnel;

12 (iii) the number of personnel to whom
13 the Coast Guard extended an offer of em-
14 ployment in accordance with the require-
15 ments of this section and section 11412(a)
16 of the Don Young Coast Guard Authoriza-
17 tion Act of 2022 (14 U.S.C. 504 note), and
18 the number of such personnel who accepted
19 or declined such offer of employment;

20 (iv) a summary of the efforts by the
21 Coast Guard to publicize, advertise, or oth-
22 erwise recruit qualified candidates in ac-
23 cordance with the requirements of this sec-
24 tion and section 11412(a) of such Act; and

1 (v) any recommendations and a de-
 2 tailed plan to ensure full compliance with
 3 the requirements of this section and section
 4 11412(a) of such Act, which may include
 5 special payments discussed in the report of
 6 the Government Accountability Office titled
 7 “Federal Pay: Opportunities Exist to En-
 8 hance Strategic Use of Special Payments”,
 9 published on December 7, 2017 (GAO–18–
 10 91), which may be made available to help
 11 ensure full compliance with all such re-
 12 quirements in a timely manner.

13 **SEC. 250. TRAVEL ALLOWANCE FOR MEMBERS OF COAST**
 14 **GUARD ASSIGNED TO ALASKA.**

15 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—The Commandant shall imple-
 16 ment a policy that provides for reimbursement to eligible
 17 members of the Coast Guard for the cost of airfare for such
 18 members to travel to a place within the United States or
 19 the territories of the United States at the request of such
 20 member during the period specified in subsection (g).

21 (b) *ELIGIBLE MEMBERS.*—A member of the Coast
 22 Guard is eligible for a reimbursement under subsection (a)
 23 if—

24 (1) the member is assigned to a duty location in
 25 Alaska; and

1 (2) *an officer in a grade above O–5 in the chain*
2 *of command of the member authorizes the travel of the*
3 *member.*

4 (c) *TREATMENT OF TIME AS LEAVE.*—*The time during*
5 *which an eligible member is absent from duty for travel*
6 *reimbursable under subsection (a) shall be treated as leave*
7 *for purposes of section 704 of title 10, United States Code.*

8 (d) *RESTRICTION.*—*The Commandant shall not deny*
9 *reimbursement for travel authorized under subsection (b)(2)*
10 *to the respective member.*

11 (e) *JUSTIFICATION.*—*If a member requests to travel to*
12 *a place that is not the home of record, or state of legal resi-*
13 *dence, of such member, the approving official under sub-*
14 *section (b)(2) may require a justification of the request by*
15 *such member and shall not unreasonably deny such request.*

16 (f) *BRIEFING REQUIRED.*—*Not later than February 1,*
17 *2027, the Commandant shall provide to the Committee on*
18 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and*
19 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
20 *House of Representatives a briefing on—*

21 (1) *the use and effectiveness of reimbursements*
22 *under subsection (a);*

23 (2) *the calculation and use of the cost of living*
24 *allowance for a member assigned to a duty location*
25 *in Alaska; and*

1 (3) *the use of special pays and other allowances*
 2 *as incentives for cold weather proficiency or duty lo-*
 3 *cations.*

4 (g) *PERIOD SPECIFIED.—The period specified in this*
 5 *subsection is the period—*

6 (1) *beginning on the date of enactment of this*
 7 *Act; and*

8 (2) *ending on the later of—*

9 (A) *December 31, 2029; or*

10 (B) *the date on which the authority under*
 11 *section 352 of title 37, United States Code, to*
 12 *grant assignment or special duty pay to mem-*
 13 *bers of the uniform services terminates under*
 14 *subsection (g) of such section.*

15 **SEC. 251. TUITION ASSISTANCE AND ADVANCED EDU-**
 16 **CATION ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM.**

17 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 120 days after*
 18 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the de-*
 19 *partment in which the Coast Guard is operating, acting*
 20 *through the Commandant, shall establish a tuition assist-*
 21 *ance pilot program for active-duty members of the Coast*
 22 *Guard, to be known as the “Tuition Assistance and Ad-*
 23 *vanced Education Assistance Pilot Program for Sea Duty”*
 24 *(referred to in this section as the “pilot program”).*

1 (b) *FORMAL AGREEMENT.*—A member of the Coast
2 Guard participating in the pilot program shall enter into
3 a formal agreement with the Secretary of the department
4 in which the Coast Guard is operating that provides that,
5 upon the successful completion of a sea duty tour by such
6 member, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast
7 Guard is operating shall, for a period equal to the length
8 of the sea duty tour, beginning on the date on which the
9 sea duty tour concludes—

10 (1) reduce by 1 year the service obligation in-
11 curred by such member as a result of participation in
12 the advanced education assistance program under sec-
13 tion 2005 of title 10, United States Code, or the tui-
14 tion assistance program under section 2007 of such
15 title; and

16 (2) increase the tuition assistance cost cap for
17 such member to not more than double the amount of
18 the standard tuition assistance cost cap set by the
19 Commandant for the applicable fiscal year.

20 (c) *REPORT.*—Not later than 1 year after the date on
21 which the pilot program is established, and annually there-
22 after through the date on which the pilot program is termi-
23 nated under subsection (d), the Commandant shall submit
24 to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
25 tation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation

1 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report*
2 *that—*

3 *(1) evaluates and compares—*

4 *(A) the Coast Guard's retention, recruit-*
5 *ment, and filling of sea duty billets for all mem-*
6 *bers of the Coast Guard; and*

7 *(B) the Coast Guard's retention, recruit-*
8 *ment, and filling of sea duty billets for all mem-*
9 *bers of the Coast Guard participating in the*
10 *pilot program;*

11 *(2) includes the number of participants in the*
12 *pilot program as of the date of the report,*
13 *disaggregated by officer and enlisted billet type; and*

14 *(3) assesses the progress made by such partici-*
15 *pants in their respective voluntary education pro-*
16 *grams, in accordance with their degree plans, during*
17 *the period described in subsection (b).*

18 *(d) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall terminate*
19 *on the date that is 6 years after the date on which the pilot*
20 *program is established.*

1 **SEC. 252. RECRUITMENT, RELOCATION, AND RETENTION IN-**
2 **CENTIVE PROGRAM FOR CIVILIAN FIRE-**
3 **FIGHTERS EMPLOYED BY COAST GUARD IN**
4 **REMOTE LOCATIONS.**

5 (a) *IDENTIFICATION OF REMOTE LOCATIONS.*—The
6 Commandant shall identify locations to be considered re-
7 mote locations for purposes of this section, which shall in-
8 clude, at a minimum, each Coast Guard fire station located
9 in an area in which members of the Coast Guard and the
10 dependents of such members are eligible for the TRICARE
11 Prime Remote program.

12 (b) *INCENTIVE PROGRAM.*—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—To ensure uninterrupted oper-
14 ations by civilian firefighters employed by the Coast
15 Guard in remote locations, the Commandant shall es-
16 tablish an incentive program for such firefighters con-
17 sisting of—

18 (A) recruitment and relocation bonuses con-
19 sistent with section 5753 of title 5, United States
20 Code; and

21 (B) retention bonuses consistent with section
22 5754 of title 5, United States Code.

23 (2) *ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.*—The Commandant,
24 in coordination with the Director of the Office of Per-
25 sonnel and Management, shall establish eligibility cri-
26 teria for the incentive program established under

1 paragraph (1), which shall include a requirement
2 that a firefighter described in paragraph (1) may
3 only be eligible for the incentive program under this
4 section if, with respect to the applicable remote loca-
5 tion, the Commandant has made a determination
6 that incentives are appropriate to address an identi-
7 fied recruitment, retention, or relocation need.

8 (c) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not less frequently than annu-
9 ally for the 5-year period beginning on the date of enact-
10 ment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit to the Com-
11 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the
12 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-
13 fairs of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation
14 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report
15 that—

16 (1) details the use and effectiveness of the incen-
17 tive program established under this section; and

18 (2) includes—

19 (A) the number of participants in the in-
20 centive program;

21 (B) a description of the distribution of in-
22 centives under such program; and

23 (C) a description of the impact of such pro-
24 gram on civilian firefighter recruitment and re-
25 tention by the Coast Guard in remote locations.

1 **SEC. 253. NOTIFICATION.**

2 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Commandant shall provide to
3 the appropriate committees of Congress notification as de-
4 scribed in subsection (b)—

5 (1) *not later than the date that is 10 days before*
6 *the final day of each fiscal year; or*

7 (2) *in the case of a continuing resolution that,*
8 *for a period of more than 10 days, provides appro-*
9 *priated funds in lieu of an appropriations Act, not*
10 *later than the date that is 10 days before the final*
11 *day of the period that such continuing resolution cov-*
12 *ers.*

13 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—Notification under subsection (a)
14 shall include—

15 (1) *the status of funding for the Coast Guard*
16 *during the subsequent fiscal year or at the end of the*
17 *continuing resolution if other appropriations meas-*
18 *ures are not enacted, as applicable;*

19 (2) *the status of the Coast Guard as a component*
20 *of the Armed Forces;*

21 (3) *the number of members currently serving*
22 *overseas and otherwise supporting missions related to*
23 *title 10, United States Code;*

24 (4) *the fact that members of the Armed Forces*
25 *have service requirements unlike those of other Fed-*

1 *eral employees, which require them to continue to*
 2 *serve even if unpaid;*

3 *(5) the impacts of historical shutdowns of the*
 4 *Federal Government on members of the Coast Guard;*
 5 *and*

6 *(6) other relevant matters, as determined by the*
 7 *Commandant.*

8 *(c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-*
 9 *FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate committees*
 10 *of Congress” means—*

11 *(1) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
 12 *Transportation of the Senate;*

13 *(2) the Committee on Armed Services of the Sen-*
 14 *ate;*

15 *(3) the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*
 16 *structure of the House of Representatives; and*

17 *(4) the Committee on Armed Services of the*
 18 *House of Representatives.*

19 ***Subtitle E—Coast Guard Academy***

20 ***SEC. 261. MODIFICATION OF BOARD OF VISITORS.***

21 *Section 1903 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
 22 *ed to read as follows:*

23 ***“§ 1903. Annual Board of Visitors***

24 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall establish*
 25 *a Board of Visitors to the Coast Guard Academy to review*

1 *and make recommendations on the operation of the Acad-*
2 *emy.*

3 “(b) *MEMBERSHIP.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The membership of the*
5 *Board shall consist of the following:*

6 “(A) *The chairperson of the Committee on*
7 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
8 *Senate, or a member of such Committee des-*
9 *ignated by such chairperson.*

10 “(B) *The chairperson of the Committee on*
11 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House*
12 *of Representatives, or a member of such Com-*
13 *mittee designated by such chairperson.*

14 “(C) *3 Senators appointed by the Vice*
15 *President.*

16 “(D) *4 Members of the House of Representa-*
17 *tives appointed by the Speaker of the House of*
18 *Representatives.*

19 “(E) *2 Senators appointed by the Vice*
20 *President, each of whom shall be selected from*
21 *among members of the Committee on Appropria-*
22 *tions of the Senate.*

23 “(F) *2 Members of the House of Representa-*
24 *tives appointed by the Speaker of the House of*
25 *Representatives, each of whom shall be selected*

1 *from among members of the Committee on Ap-*
2 *propriations of the House of Representatives.*

3 “(G) 6 individuals designated by the Presi-
4 *dent.*

5 “(2) *TIMING OF APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS.—*

6 “(A) *If any member of the Board described*
7 *in paragraph (1)(C) is not appointed by the date*
8 *that is 180 days after the date on which the first*
9 *session of each Congress convenes, the chair and*
10 *ranking member of the subcommittee of the Com-*
11 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
12 *tation of the Senate with jurisdiction over the*
13 *authorization of appropriations of the Coast*
14 *Guard shall be members of the Board until the*
15 *date on which the second session of such Congress*
16 *adjourns sine die.*

17 “(B) *If any member of the Board described*
18 *in paragraph (1)(D) is not appointed by the*
19 *date that is 180 days after the date on which the*
20 *first session of each Congress convenes, the chair*
21 *and ranking member of the subcommittee of the*
22 *Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*
23 *of the House of Representatives with jurisdiction*
24 *over the authorization of appropriations for the*
25 *Coast Guard shall be members of the Board until*

1 *the date on which the second session of such Con-*
2 *gress adjourns sine die.*

3 “(C) *If any member of the Board described*
4 *in paragraph (1)(E) is not appointed by the*
5 *date that is 180 days after the date on which the*
6 *first session of each Congress convenes, the chair*
7 *and ranking member of the subcommittee of the*
8 *Committee on Appropriations of the Senate with*
9 *jurisdiction over appropriations for the Coast*
10 *Guard shall be members of the Board until the*
11 *date on which the second session of such Congress*
12 *adjourns sine die.*

13 “(D) *If any member of the Board described*
14 *in paragraph (1)(F) is not appointed by the date*
15 *that is 180 days after the date on which the first*
16 *session of each Congress convenes, the chair and*
17 *ranking member of the subcommittee of the Com-*
18 *mittee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-*
19 *resentatives with jurisdiction over appropria-*
20 *tions for the Coast Guard shall be members of the*
21 *Board until the date on which the second session*
22 *of such Congress adjourns sine die.*

23 “(3) *CHAIRPERSON.—*

24 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—On a biennial basis*
25 *and subject to paragraph (4), the Board shall se-*

1 *lect from among the members of the Board a*
2 *Member of Congress to serve as the Chair of the*
3 *Board.*

4 “(B) *ROTATION.*—*A Member of the House of*
5 *Representatives and a Member of the Senate*
6 *shall alternately be selected as the Chair of the*
7 *Board.*

8 “(C) *TERM.*—*An individual may not serve*
9 *as Chairperson of the Board for consecutive*
10 *terms.*

11 “(4) *LENGTH OF SERVICE.*—

12 “(A) *MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.*—*A Member*
13 *of Congress designated as a member of the Board*
14 *under paragraph (1) shall be designated as a*
15 *member in the first session of the applicable Con-*
16 *gress and shall serve for the duration of such*
17 *Congress.*

18 “(B) *INDIVIDUALS DESIGNATED BY THE*
19 *PRESIDENT.*—*Each individual designated by the*
20 *President under paragraph (1)(G) shall serve as*
21 *a member of the Board for 3 years, except that*
22 *any such member whose term of office has ex-*
23 *pired shall continue to serve until a successor is*
24 *appointed by the President.*

1 “(C) *DEATH OR RESIGNATION OF A MEM-*
 2 *BER.—If a member of the Board dies or resigns,*
 3 *a successor shall be designated for any unexpired*
 4 *portion of the term of the member by the official*
 5 *who designated the member.*

6 “(c) *DUTIES.—*

7 “(1) *ACADEMY VISITS.—*

8 “(A) *ANNUAL VISIT.—The Commandant*
 9 *shall invite each member of the Board, and any*
 10 *designee of a member of the Board, to visit the*
 11 *Coast Guard Academy at least once annually to*
 12 *review the operation of the Academy.*

13 “(B) *ADDITIONAL VISITS.—With the ap-*
 14 *proval of the Secretary, the Board or any mem-*
 15 *bers of the Board in connection with the duties*
 16 *of the Board may—*

17 “(i) *make visits to the Academy in ad-*
 18 *dition to the visits described in subpara-*
 19 *graph (A); or*

20 “(ii) *consult with—*

21 “(I) *the Superintendent of the*
 22 *Academy; or*

23 “(II) *the faculty, staff, or cadets of*
 24 *the Academy.*

1 “(C) *ACCESS.*—*The Commandant shall en-*
2 *sure that the Board or any members of the*
3 *Board who visits the Academy under this para-*
4 *graph is provided reasonable access to the*
5 *grounds, facilities, cadets, faculty, staff, and*
6 *other personnel of the Academy for the purpose*
7 *of carrying out the duties of the Board.*

8 “(2) *OVERSIGHT REVIEW.*—*In conducting over-*
9 *sight of the Academy under this section, the Board*
10 *shall review, with respect to the Academy—*

11 “(A) *the state of morale and discipline, in-*
12 *cluding with respect to prevention of, response*
13 *to, and recovery from sexual assault and sexual*
14 *harassment;*

15 “(B) *recruitment and retention, including*
16 *diversity, inclusion, and issues regarding women*
17 *specifically;*

18 “(C) *the curriculum;*

19 “(D) *instruction;*

20 “(E) *physical equipment, including infra-*
21 *structure, living quarters, and deferred mainte-*
22 *nance;*

23 “(F) *fiscal affairs; and*

24 “(G) *any other matter relating to the Acad-*
25 *emy the Board considers appropriate.*

1 “(d) *ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.*—

2 “(1) *MEETINGS.*—

3 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Not less frequently than
4 annually, the Board shall meet at a location cho-
5 sen by the Commandant, in consultation with
6 the Board, to conduct the review required by sub-
7 section (c)(2).

8 “(B) *CHAIRPERSON AND CHARTER.*—The
9 Federal officer designated under subsection
10 (f)(1)(B) shall organize a meeting of the Board
11 for the purposes of—

12 “(i) selecting a Chairperson of the
13 Board under subsection (b)(3);

14 “(ii) adopting an official charter for
15 the Board, which shall establish the schedule
16 of meetings of the Board; and

17 “(iii) any other matter such designated
18 Federal officer or the Board considers ap-
19 propriate.

20 “(C) *SCHEDULING.*—In scheduling a meet-
21 ing of the Board, such designated Federal officer
22 shall coordinate, to the greatest extent prac-
23 ticable, with the members of the Board to deter-
24 mine the date and time of the meeting.

1 “(D) *NOTIFICATION.*—Not less than 30 days
2 before each scheduled meeting of the Board, such
3 designated Federal officer shall notify each mem-
4 ber of the Board of the time, date, and location
5 of the meeting.

6 “(2) *STAFF.*—

7 “(A) *DESIGNATION.*—The chairperson and
8 the ranking member of the Committee on Com-
9 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate
10 and the chairperson and the ranking member of
11 the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
12 structure of the House of Representatives may
13 each designate 1 staff member of each such Com-
14 mittees.

15 “(B) *ROLE.*—Staff designated under sub-
16 paragraph (A)—

17 “(i) may attend and participate in
18 visits and carry out consultations described
19 under subsection (c)(1) and attend and par-
20 ticipate in meetings described under para-
21 graph (1); and

22 “(ii) may not otherwise carry out du-
23 ties or take actions reserved to members of
24 the Board under this section.

1 “(3) *ADVISORS.*—If approved by the Secretary,
2 the Board may consult with advisors in carrying out
3 the duties of the Board under this section.

4 “(4) *REPORTS.*—

5 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 60 days
6 after the date on which the Board conducts a
7 meeting of the Board under paragraph (1), the
8 Commandant, in consultation with the Board,
9 shall submit a report on the actions of the Board
10 during the meeting and the recommendations of
11 the Board pertaining to the Academy to—

12 “(i) the Secretary;

13 “(ii) the Committee on Commerce,
14 Science, and Transportation and the Com-
15 mittee on Armed Services of the Senate; and

16 “(iii) the Committee on Transpor-
17 tation and Infrastructure and the Com-
18 mittee on Armed Services of the House of
19 Representatives.

20 “(B) *PUBLICATION.*—Each report submitted
21 under this paragraph shall be published on a
22 publicly accessible website of the Coast Guard.

23 “(e) *DISCLOSURE.*—The Commandant and the Super-
24 intendent of the Academy shall ensure candid and complete

1 *disclosure to the Board, consistent with applicable laws re-*
 2 *lating to disclosure of information, with respect to—*

3 “(1) *each issue described in subsection (c)(2);*
 4 *and*

5 “(2) *any other issue the Board or the Com-*
 6 *mandant considers appropriate.*

7 “(f) *COAST GUARD SUPPORT.—*

8 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall—*

9 “(A) *provide support to the Board, as*
 10 *Board considers necessary for the performance of*
 11 *the duties of the Board;*

12 “(B) *designate a Federal officer to support*
 13 *the performance of the duties of the Board; and*

14 “(C) *in cooperation with the Super-*
 15 *intendent of the Academy, advise the Board of*
 16 *any institutional issues, consistent with applica-*
 17 *ble laws concerning the disclosure of information.*

18 “(2) *REIMBURSEMENT.—Each member of the*
 19 *Board and each advisor consulted by the Board under*
 20 *subsection (d)(3) shall be reimbursed, to the extent*
 21 *permitted by law, by the Coast Guard for actual ex-*
 22 *penses incurred while engaged in duties as a member*
 23 *or advisor.*

24 “(g) *NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the*
 25 *date on which the first session of each Congress convenes,*

1 *the Commandant shall provide to the chairperson and rank-*
 2 *ing member of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
 3 *Transportation of the Senate and the chairperson and rank-*
 4 *ing member of the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*
 5 *structure of the House of Representatives, and the President*
 6 *notification of the requirements of this section.”.*

7 **SEC. 262. STUDY ON COAST GUARD ACADEMY OVERSIGHT.**

8 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 30 days after the
 9 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant, in con-
 10 sultation with relevant stakeholders, shall conduct a study
 11 on the governance of the Coast Guard Academy, including
 12 examining the roles, responsibilities, authorities, advisory
 13 functions, and membership qualifications and expertise of
 14 the Annual Board of Visitors established under section 1903
 15 of title 14, United States Code, and Board of Trustees estab-
 16 lished under the United States Coast Guard Academy
 17 Board of Trustees Charter.

18 (b) *CONTENTS.*—In conducting the study under sub-
 19 section (a), the Commandant shall examine—

20 (1) *the authorities regarding Coast Guard and*
 21 *department in which the Coast Guard is operating*
 22 *oversight of the Coast Guard Academy, including con-*
 23 *siderations of how the Coast Guard and department*
 24 *may impact accreditation review at the Academy;*

1 (2) *the roles and responsibilities of the Board of*
2 *Trustees and Board of Visitors of such Academy;*

3 (3) *the Coast Guard roles and responsibilities*
4 *with respect to management and facilitation of the*
5 *Board of Trustees and Board of Visitors of such Acad-*
6 *emy;*

7 (4) *the advisory functions of the Board of Trust-*
8 *ees and Board of Visitors of such Academy; and*

9 (5) *the membership of the Board of Trustees and*
10 *Board of Visitors for the 10-year period preceding the*
11 *date of enactment of this Act, to include expertise, ob-*
12 *jectiveness, and effectiveness in conducting oversight*
13 *of such Academy.*

14 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 1 year after the date of*
15 *enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit to the*
16 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
17 *the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and In-*
18 *frastructure of the House of Representatives a report that*
19 *contains—*

20 (1) *the results of the study required under sub-*
21 *section (a); and*

22 (2) *recommendations to improve governance at*
23 *the Coast Guard Academy.*

1 **SEC. 263. ELECTRONIC LOCKING MECHANISMS TO ENSURE**
2 **COAST GUARD ACADEMY CADET ROOM SECU-**
3 **RITY.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 2 years after the
5 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant, in con-
6 sultation with the Superintendent of the Coast Guard Acad-
7 emy (referred to in this section as the “Superintendent”),
8 shall—

9 (1) *install an electronic locking mechanism for*
10 *each room at the Coast Guard Academy within which*
11 *1 or more Coast Guard Academy cadets reside over-*
12 *night;*

13 (2) *test each such mechanism not less than once*
14 *every 6 months for proper function and maintained*
15 *in proper working order; and*

16 (3) *use a system that electronically records the*
17 *date, time, and identity of each individual who ac-*
18 *cesses a cadet room using an electronic access token,*
19 *code, card, or other electronic means, which shall be*
20 *maintained in accordance with the general schedule*
21 *for records retention, or a period of five years, which-*
22 *ever is later.*

23 (b) *ELECTRONIC LOCKING MECHANISMS.*—

24 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Each electronic locking mech-
25 *anism described in subsection (a) shall be coded in a*

1 *manner that provides access to a room described in*
2 *such subsection only to—*

3 *(A) the 1 or more cadets assigned to the*
4 *room; and*

5 *(B) such Coast Guard Academy officers, ad-*
6 *ministrators, staff, or security personnel, includ-*
7 *ing personnel of the Coast Guard Investigative*
8 *Service, as are necessary to access the room in*
9 *the event of an emergency.*

10 *(2) EXISTING MECHANISMS.—Not later than 30*
11 *days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Su-*
12 *perintendent shall ensure that electronic locking*
13 *mechanisms installed in academic buildings of the*
14 *Coast Guard Academy, Chase Hall common spaces,*
15 *and in any other location at the Coast Guard Acad-*
16 *emy are maintained in proper working order.*

17 *(c) ACCESS POLICY INSTRUCTION.—Not later than 1*
18 *year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Super-*
19 *intendent shall promulgate a policy regarding cadet room*
20 *security policies and procedures, which shall include, at a*
21 *minimum—*

22 *(1) a prohibition on sharing with any other*
23 *cadet, employee, or other individual electronic access*
24 *tokens, codes, cards, or other electronic means of ac-*
25 *cessing a cadet room;*

1 (2) *procedures for resetting electronic locking*
2 *mechanisms in the event of a lost, stolen, or otherwise*
3 *compromised electronic access token, code, card, or*
4 *other electronic means of accessing a cadet room;*

5 (3) *procedures to maintain the identity of each*
6 *individual who accesses a cadet room using an elec-*
7 *tronic access token, code, card, or other electronic*
8 *means, while ensuring the security of personally iden-*
9 *tifiable information and protecting the privacy of any*
10 *such individual, as appropriate;*

11 (4) *procedures by which cadets may report to the*
12 *chain of command the malfunction of an electronic*
13 *locking mechanism; and*

14 (5) *a schedule of testing to ensure the proper*
15 *functioning of electronic locking mechanisms.*

16 (d) *MINIMUM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.—The Super-*
17 *intendent shall ensure that each Coast Guard Academy*
18 *cadet receives, not later than 1 day after the date of the*
19 *initial arrival of the cadet at the Coast Guard Academy,*
20 *an initial training session, and any other training the Su-*
21 *perintendent considers necessary, on—*

22 (1) *the use of electronic locking mechanisms in-*
23 *stalled under this section; and*

24 (2) *the policy promulgated under subsection (c).*

1 **SEC. 264. REPORT ON EXISTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND**
2 **WELLNESS SUPPORT SERVICES FACILITIES**
3 **AT COAST GUARD ACADEMY.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 120 days after the
5 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant, shall sub-
6 mit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
7 tation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation
8 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report
9 on existing behavioral health and wellness support services
10 facilities at the Coast Guard Academy in which Coast
11 Guard Academy cadets and officer candidates, respectively,
12 may receive timely and independent behavioral health and
13 wellness support services, including via telemedicine.

14 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The report required under paragraph
15 (1) shall include—

16 (1) an identification of each building at the
17 Coast Guard Academy that contains a dormitory or
18 other overnight accommodations for cadets or officer
19 candidates; and

20 (2)(A) an identification of additional behavioral
21 health or wellness support services that would be bene-
22 ficial to cadets and officer candidates, such as addi-
23 tional facilities with secure access to telemedicine;

24 (B) a description of the benefits that such
25 services would provide to cadets and officer can-
26 didates, particularly to cadets and officer can-

1 *didates who have experienced sexual assault or*
2 *sexual harassment; and*

3 *(C) a description of the resources necessary*
4 *to provide such services.*

5 **SEC. 265. REQUIRED POSTING OF INFORMATION.**

6 *The Commandant shall ensure that, in each building*
7 *at the Coast Guard Academy that contains a dormitory or*
8 *other overnight accommodations for cadets or officer can-*
9 *didates, written information is posted in a visible location*
10 *with respect to—*

11 *(1) the methods and means by which a cadet or*
12 *officer candidate may report a crime, including har-*
13 *assment, sexual assault, sexual harassment, and any*
14 *other offense;*

15 *(2) the contact information for the Coast Guard*
16 *Investigative Service;*

17 *(3) external resources for—*

18 *(A) wellness support;*

19 *(B) work-life;*

20 *(C) medical services; and*

21 *(D) support relating to behavioral health,*
22 *civil rights, sexual assault, and sexual harass-*
23 *ment; and*

24 *(4) cadet and officer candidate rights with re-*
25 *spect to reporting incidents to the Coast Guard Inves-*

1 *tigative Service, civilian authorities, the Office of the*
2 *Inspector General of the department in which the*
3 *Coast Guard is operating, and any other applicable*
4 *entity.*

5 **SEC. 266. INSTALLATION OF MULTIPURPOSE MEDICAL PRI-**
6 **VACY ROOMS.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the*
8 *date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the depart-*
9 *ment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall install*
10 *or construct at the Coast Guard Academy not fewer than*
11 *2 rooms to be used for the purpose of providing privacy*
12 *to cadets and officer candidates seeking medical or other*
13 *health-related services.*

14 *(b) STANDARDS OF ROOMS.—Each room installed or*
15 *constructed under this section shall—*

16 *(1) be equipped—*

17 *(A) in a manner that ensures the protection*
18 *of the privacy of cadets and officer candidates,*
19 *consistent with law and policy;*

20 *(B) with a telephone and computer to allow*
21 *for the provision of telehealth appointments or*
22 *other services both virtual and in person; and*

23 *(C) with an accessible and private wireless*
24 *internet connection for the use of personal com-*

1 *munications devices at the discretion of the cadet*
 2 *or officer candidate concerned; and*

3 *(2) to the extent practicable and consistent with*
 4 *good order and discipline, be accessible to cadets and*
 5 *officer candidates at all times; and*

6 *(3) contain the written information described in*
 7 *section 265, which shall be posted in a visible loca-*
 8 *tion.*

9 **SEC. 267. COAST GUARD ACADEMY ROOM REASSIGNMENT.**

10 *Section 1902 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
 11 *ed by adding at the end the following:*

12 *“(f) ROOM REASSIGNMENT.—Coast Guard Academy*
 13 *cadets may request room reassignment if experiencing dis-*
 14 *comfort due to Coast Guard Academy rooming assignments,*
 15 *consistent with policy.”.*

16 **SEC. 268. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF COAST GUARD**
 17 **ACADEMY FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT BY**
 18 **COVERED FOUNDATIONS.**

19 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 19 of title*
 20 *14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end*
 21 *the following:*

1 **“§ 1908. Authorization for use of Coast Guard Acad-**
2 **emy facilities and equipment by covered**
3 **foundations**

4 “(a) *AUTHORITY.*—Subject to subsections (b) and (c),
5 *the Secretary, with the concurrence of the Superintendent*
6 *of the Coast Guard Academy, may authorize a covered foun-*
7 *dation to use, on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable basis*
8 *as determined by the Secretary, facilities or equipment of*
9 *the Coast Guard Academy.*

10 “(b) *PROHIBITION.*—*The Secretary may not authorize*
11 *any use of facilities or equipment under subsection (a) if*
12 *such use may jeopardize the health, safety, or well-being of*
13 *any member of the Coast Guard or cadet of the Coast Guard*
14 *Academy.*

15 “(c) *LIMITATIONS.*—*The Secretary may only authorize*
16 *the use of facilities or equipment under subsection (a) if*
17 *such use—*

18 “(1) *is without any liability of the United States*
19 *to the covered foundation;*

20 “(2) *does not—*

21 “(A) *affect the ability of any official or em-*
22 *ployee of the Coast Guard, or any member of the*
23 *armed forces, to carry out any responsibility or*
24 *duty in a fair and objective manner;*

25 “(B) *compromise the integrity or appear-*
26 *ance of integrity of any program of the Coast*

1 *Guard, or any individual involved in any such*
2 *program; or*

3 “(C) *include the participation of any cadet*
4 *of the Coast Guard Academy at an event of the*
5 *covered foundation, other than participation of*
6 *such a cadet in an honor guard;*

7 “(3) *complies with any applicable ethics regula-*
8 *tion; and*

9 “(4) *has been reviewed and approved by an at-*
10 *torney of the Coast Guard.*

11 “(d) *ISSUANCE OF POLICIES.—The Secretary shall*
12 *issue Coast Guard policies to carry out this section.*

13 “(e) *BRIEFING.—For any fiscal year in which the Sec-*
14 *retary exercises the authority under subsection (a), not later*
15 *than the last day of such fiscal year, the Commandant shall*
16 *provide a briefing to the Committee on Commerce, Science,*
17 *and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on*
18 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-*
19 *resentatives on the number of events or activities of a cov-*
20 *ered foundation supported by such exercise of authority dur-*
21 *ing the fiscal year.*

22 “(f) *COVERED FOUNDATION DEFINED.—In this sec-*
23 *tion, the term ‘covered foundation’ means an organization*
24 *that—*

1 “(1) is a charitable, educational, or civic non-
 2 profit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the In-
 3 ternal Revenue Code of 1986; and

4 “(2) the Secretary determines operates exclu-
 5 sively to support—

6 “(A) recruiting activities with respect to the
 7 Coast Guard Academy;

8 “(B) parent or alumni development in sup-
 9 port of the Coast Guard Academy;

10 “(C) academic, leadership, or character de-
 11 velopment of Coast Guard Academy cadets;

12 “(D) institutional development of the Coast
 13 Guard Academy; or

14 “(E) athletics in support of the Coast
 15 Guard Academy.”.

16 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 17 19 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended by
 18 inserting after the item relating to item 1907 the following:

“1908. Authorization for use of Coast Guard Academy facilities and equipment
 by covered foundations.”.

19 **SEC. 269. CONCURRENT JURISDICTION AT COAST GUARD**
 20 **ACADEMY.**

21 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-
 22 retary of the department in which the Coast Guard is oper-
 23 ating may establish concurrent jurisdiction between the
 24 Federal Government and the State of Connecticut over the

1 *lands constituting the Coast Guard Academy in New Lon-*
 2 *don, Connecticut, as necessary to facilitate the ability of*
 3 *the State of Connecticut and City of New London to inves-*
 4 *tigate and prosecute any crimes cognizable under Con-*
 5 *necticut law that are committed on such Coast Guard Acad-*
 6 *emy property.*

7 ***Subtitle F—Reports and Policies***

8 ***SEC. 271. POLICY AND BRIEFING ON AVAILABILITY OF*** 9 ***NALOXONE TO TREAT OPIOID, INCLUDING*** 10 ***FENTANYL, OVERDOSES.***

11 *(a) POLICY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of*
 12 *enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall update the*
 13 *policy of the Coast Guard regarding the use of medication*
 14 *to treat drug overdoses, including the use of naloxone or*
 15 *other similar medication to treat opioid, including*
 16 *fentanyl, overdoses.*

17 *(b) AVAILABILITY.—The updated policy required*
 18 *under subsection (a) shall require naloxone or other similar*
 19 *medication be available for members of the Coast Guard—*

20 *(1) on all Coast Guard installations; and*

21 *(2) in each operational environment.*

22 *(c) PARTICIPATION IN TRACKING SYSTEM.—Not later*
 23 *than 1 year after the earlier of the date of enactment of*
 24 *this Act or the date on which the tracking system established*
 25 *under section 706 of the National Defense Authorization Act*

1 *for Fiscal Year 2024 (10 U.S.C. 1090 note) is established,*
2 *the Commandant shall ensure the participation of the Coast*
3 *Guard in the such tracking system.*

4 (d) *MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—Not later*
5 *than 1 year after the earlier of the date of enactment of*
6 *this Act or the date on which the tracking system established*
7 *under section 706 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
8 *for Fiscal Year 2024 (10 U.S.C. 1090 note) is established,*
9 *the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard*
10 *is operating when not operating as a service in the Navy*
11 *and the Secretary of Defense shall finalize a memorandum*
12 *of understanding to facilitate Coast Guard access such*
13 *tracking system.*

14 (e) *BRIEFING.—*

15 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after*
16 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
17 *shall provide the Committee on Commerce, Science,*
18 *and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee*
19 *on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of*
20 *Representatives a briefing on the use, by members and*
21 *personnel of the Coast Guard at Coast Guard facili-*
22 *ties, onboard Coast Guard assets, and during Coast*
23 *Guard operations, of—*

24 (A) *naloxone or other similar medication to*
25 *treat opioid, including fentanyl, overdoses; and*

1 (B) opioids, including fentanyl.

2 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—The briefing required under
3 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

4 (A) A description of—

5 (i) the progress made in the implemen-
6 tation of the updated policy required under
7 subsection (a);

8 (ii) the prevalence and incidence of the
9 illegal use of fentanyl and other controlled
10 substances in the Coast Guard during the 5-
11 year period preceding the briefing;

12 (iii) processes of the Coast Guard to
13 mitigate substance abuse in the Coast
14 Guard, particularly with respect to
15 fentanyl; and

16 (iv) the status of the memorandum of
17 understanding required under subsection
18 (d).

19 (B) For the 5-year period preceding the
20 briefing, a review of instances in which naloxone
21 or other similar medication was used to treat
22 opioid, including fentanyl, overdoses at a Coast
23 Guard facility, onboard a Coast Guard asset, or
24 during a Coast Guard operation.

1 (f) *PRIVACY*.—*In carrying out the requirements of this*
 2 *section, the Commandant shall ensure compliance with all*
 3 *applicable privacy law, including section 552a of title 5,*
 4 *United States Code (commonly referred to as the “Privacy*
 5 *Act”), and the privacy regulations promulgated under sec-*
 6 *tion 264(c) of the Health Insurance Portability and Ac-*
 7 *countability Act (42 U.S.C. 1320d–2 note).*

8 (g) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION*.—*For purposes of the*
 9 *availability requirement under subsection (b), with respect*
 10 *to a Coast Guard installation comprised of multiple Coast*
 11 *Guard facilities or units, naloxone or other similar medica-*
 12 *tion available at a single Coast Guard facility within the*
 13 *installation shall be considered to be available to all Coast*
 14 *Guard facilities or units on the installation if appropriate*
 15 *arrangements are in place to ensure access, at all times dur-*
 16 *ing operations, to the naloxone or other similar medication*
 17 *contained within such single Coast Guard facility.*

18 **SEC. 272. POLICY ON METHODS TO REDUCE INCENTIVES**
 19 **FOR ILLICIT MARITIME DRUG TRAFFICKING.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—*Not later than 1 year after the date*
 21 *of enactment of this Act, the Commandant, in consultation*
 22 *with the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Adminis-*
 23 *tration, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Defense,*
 24 *shall develop a policy, consistent with the Constitution of*
 25 *the United States, as well as domestic and international*

1 *law, to address, disincentivize, and interdict illicit traf-*
2 *ficking by sea of controlled substances (and precursors of*
3 *controlled substances) being transported to produce illicit*
4 *synthetic drugs.*

5 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The policy required under subsection*
6 (a) *shall—*

7 (1) *include a requirement that, to the maximum*
8 *extent practicable, a vessel unlawfully transporting a*
9 *controlled substance or precursors of a controlled sub-*
10 *stance being transported to produce illicit synthetic*
11 *drugs, be seized or appropriately disposed of con-*
12 *sistent with domestic and international law, as well*
13 *as any international agreements to which the United*
14 *States is a party; and*

15 (2) *aim to reduce incentives for illicit maritime*
16 *drug trafficking on a global scale, including in the*
17 *Eastern Pacific Ocean, the Indo-Pacific region, the*
18 *Caribbean, and the Middle East.*

19 (c) *BRIEFING.—Not later than 1 year after the date*
20 *of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall brief the*
21 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the*
22 *Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on*
23 *Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate*
24 *and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,*

1 *the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on*
 2 *Homeland Security of the House of Representatives on—*

3 *(1) the policy developed pursuant to subsection*
 4 *(a); and*

5 *(2) recommendations with respect to—*

6 *(A) additional methods for reducing illicit*
 7 *drug trafficking; and*

8 *(B) additional resources necessary to imple-*
 9 *ment the policy required under subsection (a)*
 10 *and methods recommended under subparagraph*
 11 *(A).*

12 **SEC. 273. REPORT ON CONDITION OF AIDS TO NAVIGATION.**

13 *(a) PROVISION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 270*
 14 *days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
 15 *mandant shall submit to the Committee on Transportation*
 16 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
 17 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
 18 *the Senate a report on the condition of dayboards and the*
 19 *placement of buoys on the Missouri River, the Coast Guard*
 20 *Northeast District, and the Coast Guard Northwest District.*

21 *(b) ELEMENTS.—The report under paragraph (1) shall*
 22 *include—*

23 *(1) a list of the most recent date on which each*
 24 *dayboard and buoy was serviced by the Coast Guard;*

1 (2) *an overview of the plan of the Coast Guard*
2 *to systematically service each dayboard and buoy on*
3 *the Missouri River;*

4 (3) *an overview of the plan of the Coast Guard*
5 *to systematically service each buoy located in the*
6 *Coast Guard Northeast District;*

7 (4) *an overview of the plan of the Coast Guard*
8 *to systematically service each buoy located in the*
9 *Coast Guard Northwest District; and*

10 (5) *assigned points of contact.*

11 (c) *LIMITATION.—Beginning on the date of enactment*
12 *of this Act, the Commandant may not remove the aids to*
13 *navigation covered in subsection (a), unless there is an im-*
14 *minent threat to life or safety, until a period of 180 days*
15 *has elapsed following the date on which the Commandant*
16 *submits the report required under subsection (a).*

17 (d) *STUDY ON RELIANCE ON AIDS TO NAVIGATION.—*

18 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall con-*
19 *duct a study on the extent to which physical aids to*
20 *navigation, including buoys and dayboards, are relied*
21 *upon by maritime users in the Missouri River, Coast*
22 *Guard Northeast District, and Coast Guard North-*
23 *west District.*

1 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*In the study conducted*
2 *under paragraph (1), the Commandant shall include*
3 *the following:*

4 (A) *An analysis of the extent to which phys-*
5 *ical aids to navigation serve as primary naviga-*
6 *tional references for operators of vessels that lack*
7 *electronic or satellite-based systems, including*
8 *small commercial vessels, recreational boats, sail-*
9 *boats, and skiffs.*

10 (B) *An assessment of the role physical aids*
11 *to navigation play in supporting safe vessel op-*
12 *eration during outages, disruptions, or inaccura-*
13 *cies in electronic or satellite-based navigation*
14 *systems.*

15 (C) *An assessment of mariner perspectives*
16 *on the availability, visibility, and reliability of*
17 *physical aids to navigation, based on input from*
18 *recreational boaters, commercial fishermen, pilot*
19 *associations, port authorities, and other relevant*
20 *waterway users.*

21 (D) *A summary of reported incidents or*
22 *near-miss events from the past five years in*
23 *which the presence or absence of physical aids to*
24 *navigation played a contributory role in naviga-*

1 *tional outcomes, including collisions, groundings,*
2 *or deviations from intended routes.*

3 *(E) Recommendations for enhancing navi-*
4 *gational safety for mariners who rely exclusively*
5 *on, or supplement electronic systems with, tradi-*
6 *tional visual aids to navigation.*

7 *(F) A cost–benefit analysis of the continued*
8 *maintenance of physical aids to navigation, and*
9 *the projected consequences of their removal, in-*
10 *cluding—*

11 *(i) an estimate of the potential in-*
12 *crease in maritime accidents, search and*
13 *rescue operations, environmental incidents,*
14 *and Coast Guard response missions that*
15 *could result from the reduction or removal*
16 *of physical aids to navigation;*

17 *(ii) a comparison of the anticipated*
18 *costs associated with such increased Coast*
19 *Guard response operations to the ongoing*
20 *costs of maintaining and servicing buoys*
21 *and dayboards, particularly in high-traffic*
22 *areas or locations with limited access to*
23 *electronic navigation systems;*

24 *(iii) an assessment of the role physical*
25 *aids to navigation play in preventing inci-*

1 *dents involving vessels with limited or no*
2 *reliance on GPS or electronic systems; and*
3 *(iv) an assessment of the indirect costs*
4 *and operational impacts associated with the*
5 *removal of physical aids to navigation, in-*
6 *cluding increased risk of vessel groundings,*
7 *prolonged Coast Guard response times, and*
8 *diminished mariner trust in navigational*
9 *infrastructure.*

10 *(3) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than*
11 *18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the*
12 *Commandant shall submit to the Committee on*
13 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of*
14 *Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,*
15 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate the results*
16 *of the study conducted under paragraph (1).*

17 **SEC. 274. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON SUPPORTING ADDI-**
18 **TIONAL PORT VISITS AND DEPLOYMENTS IN**
19 **SUPPORT OF OPERATION BLUE PACIFIC.**

20 *Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment*
21 *of this Act, the Secretary of the department in which the*
22 *Coast Guard is operating when not operating as a service*
23 *in the Navy, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense,*
24 *shall—*

1 (1) *complete a study on the feasibility and advis-*
 2 *ability of supporting additional Coast Guard port*
 3 *visits and deployments, including the homeporting of*
 4 *fast response cutters in the Northern Mariana Is-*
 5 *lands, in support of Operation Blue Pacific, or any*
 6 *successor operation oriented toward Oceania;*

7 (2) *include, as part of the study under para-*
 8 *graph (1), an analysis of where any Coast Guard as-*
 9 *sets used for port visits and deployments in support*
 10 *of Operation Blue Pacific, or any successor operation*
 11 *oriented toward Oceania, will be transferred from and*
 12 *any associated gaps in Coast Guard coverage any*
 13 *such transfer will create; and*

14 (3) *submit to the Committee on Armed Services*
 15 *and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-*
 16 *portation of the Senate and the Committee on Armed*
 17 *Services and the Committee on Transportation and*
 18 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a re-*
 19 *port on the findings of such study.*

20 **SEC. 275. STUDY AND GAP ANALYSIS WITH RESPECT TO**
 21 **COAST GUARD AIR STATION CORPUS CHRISTI**
 22 **AVIATION HANGAR.**

23 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 180 days after the*
 24 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall com-*
 25 *mence a study and gap analysis with respect to the aviation*

1 *hangar at Coast Guard Air Station Corpus Christi and the*
2 *capacity of such hangar to accommodate the aircraft cur-*
3 *rently assigned to Coast Guard Air Station Corpus Christi*
4 *and any aircraft anticipated to be so assigned in the future.*

5 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The study and gap analysis required*
6 *by subsection (a) shall include the following:*

7 (1) *An identification of hangar infrastructure re-*
8 *quirements needed—*

9 (A) *to meet mission requirements for all*
10 *aircraft currently assigned to Coast Guard Air*
11 *Station Corpus Christi; and*

12 (B) *to accommodate the assignment of an*
13 *additional HC-144 Ocean Sentry aircraft to*
14 *Coast Guard Air Station Corpus Christi.*

15 (2) *An assessment as to whether the aviation*
16 *hangar at Coast Guard Air Station Corpus Christi is*
17 *sufficient to accommodate all rotary-wing assets as-*
18 *signed to Coast Guard Air Station Corpus Christi.*

19 (3) *In the case of an assessment that such hang-*
20 *ar is insufficient to accommodate all such rotary-*
21 *wing assets, a description of the facility modifications*
22 *that would be required to do so.*

23 (4) *An assessment of the facility modifications of*
24 *such hangar that would be required to accommodate*
25 *all aircraft assigned to Coast Guard Air Station Cor-*

1 *pus Christi upon completion of the transition from*
2 *the MH-65 rotary-wing aircraft to the MH-60T ro-*
3 *tary-wing aircraft.*

4 *(5) An evaluation with respect to which fixed-*
5 *wing assets assigned to Coast Guard Air Station Cor-*
6 *pus Christi should be enclosed in such hangar so as*
7 *to most effectively mitigate the effects of corrosion*
8 *while meeting mission requirements.*

9 *(6) An evaluation as to whether, and to what ex-*
10 *tent, the storage of fixed-wing assets outside such*
11 *hangar would compromise the material condition and*
12 *safety of such assets.*

13 *(7) An evaluation of the extent to which any ma-*
14 *terial condition and safety issue identified under*
15 *paragraph (6) may be mitigated through the use of*
16 *gust locks, chocks, tie-downs, or related equipment.*

17 *(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the com-*
18 *mencement of the study and gap analysis required under*
19 *subsection (a), the Commandant shall submit to the Com-*
20 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
21 *Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-*
22 *structure of the House of Representatives a report on the*
23 *results of the study and gap analysis.*

1 **SEC. 276. REPORT ON IMPACTS OF JOINT TRAVEL REGULA-**
2 **TIONS ON MEMBERS OF COAST GUARD WHO**
3 **RELY ON FERRY SYSTEMS.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
5 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant, in coordi-
6 nation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel
7 and Readiness, shall submit to the appropriate committees
8 of Congress a report on the impacts of the Joint Travel Reg-
9 ulations on members of the Coast Guard who are com-
10 muting, on permanent change of station travel, or on other
11 official travel to or from locations served by ferry systems.

12 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The report required under subsection
13 (a) shall include an analysis of the impacts on such mem-
14 bers of the Coast Guard of the following policies under the
15 Joint Travel Regulations:

16 (1) *The one-vehicle shipping policy.*

17 (2) *The unavailability of reimbursement of costs*
18 *incurred by such members due to ferry schedule un-*
19 *availability, sailing cancellations, and other sailing*
20 *delays during commuting, permanent change of sta-*
21 *tion travel, or other official travel.*

22 (3) *The unavailability of local infrastructure to*
23 *support vehicles or goods shipped to duty stations in*
24 *locations outside the contiguous United States that*
25 *are not connected by the road system, including loca-*
26 *tions served by the Alaska Marine Highway System.*

1 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

2 (1) *APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—*

3 *The term “appropriate committees of Congress”*
4 *means—*

5 (A) *the Committee on Armed Services and*
6 *the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
7 *Transportation of the Senate; and*

8 (B) *the Committee on Armed Services and*
9 *the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime*
10 *Transportation of the Committee on Transpor-*
11 *tation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-*
12 *resentatives.*

13 (2) *JOINT TRAVEL REGULATIONS.—The term*
14 *“Joint Travel Regulations”, with respect to official*
15 *travel, means the terms, rates, conditions, and regula-*
16 *tions maintained under section 464 of title 37, United*
17 *States Code.*

18 **SEC. 277. REPORT ON JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAIN-**
19 **ING CORPS PROGRAM.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date*
21 *of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit to*
22 *the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*
23 *of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and*
24 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report on*
25 *the Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program.*

1 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*The report required under subsection*
2 *(a) shall include the following:*

3 (1) *A description of the standards and criteria*
4 *prescribed by the Coast Guard for educational institu-*
5 *tion participation in the Coast Guard Junior Reserve*
6 *Officers' Training Corps program.*

7 (2) *With respect to each educational institution*
8 *offering a Coast Guard Junior Reserve Officers'*
9 *Training Corps program—*

10 (A) *a description of—*

11 (i) *the training and course of military*
12 *instruction provided to students;*

13 (ii) *the facilities and drill areas used*
14 *for the program;*

15 (iii) *the type and amount of Coast*
16 *Guard Junior Reserve Officers' Training*
17 *Corps program resources provided by the*
18 *Coast Guard;*

19 (iv) *the type and amount of Coast*
20 *Guard Junior Reserve Officers' Training*
21 *Corps program resources provided by the*
22 *educational institution; and*

23 (v) *any other matter relating to pro-*
24 *gram requirements the Commandant con-*
25 *siders appropriate;*

1 (B) an assessment as to whether the edu-
2 cational institution is located in an education-
3 ally and economically deprived area (as de-
4 scribed in section 2031 of title 10, United States
5 Code);

6 (C) beginning with the year in which the
7 program was established at the educational insti-
8 tution, the number of students who have partici-
9 pated in the program, disaggregated by gender,
10 race, and grade of student participants; and

11 (D) an assessment of the participants in the
12 program, including—

13 (i) the performance of the participants
14 in the program;

15 (ii) the number of participants in the
16 program who express an intent to pursue a
17 commission or enlistment in the Coast
18 Guard; and

19 (iii) a description of any other factor
20 or matter considered by the Commandant to
21 be important in assessing the success of pro-
22 gram participants at the educational insti-
23 tution.

24 (3) With respect to any unit of the Coast Guard
25 Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps suspended or

1 *placed on probation pursuant to section 2031(h) of*
2 *title 10, United States Code—*

3 *(A) a description of the unit;*

4 *(B) the reason for such suspension or place-*
5 *ment on probation;*

6 *(C) the year the unit was so suspended or*
7 *placed on probation; and*

8 *(D) with respect to any unit that was rein-*
9 *stated after previously being suspended or placed*
10 *on probation, a justification for the reinstate-*
11 *ment of such unit.*

12 *(4) A description of the resources and personnel*
13 *required to maintain, implement, and provide over-*
14 *sight for the Coast Guard Junior Reserve Officers’*
15 *Training Corps program at each participating edu-*
16 *cational institution and within the Coast Guard, in-*
17 *cluding the funding provided to each such educational*
18 *institution, disaggregated by educational institution*
19 *and year.*

20 *(5) A recommendation with respect to—*

21 *(A) whether the number of educational in-*
22 *stitutions participating in the Coast Guard Jun-*
23 *ior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program*
24 *should be increased; and*

(B) in the case of a recommendation that such number should be increased, additional recommendations relating to such an increase, including—

(i) the number of additional educational institutions that should be included in the program;

(ii) the locations of such institutions;

(iii) any additional authorities or resources necessary for such an increase; and

(iv) any other matter the Commandant considers appropriate.

(6) Any other matter the Commandant considers necessary in order to provide a full assessment of the effectiveness of the Coast Guard Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program.

SEC. 278. REPORT AND BRIEFINGS ON IMPLEMENTING SECTION 564 OF TITLE 14.

Section 11272(c) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(7) PUBLIC REPORT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025, the Commandant

1 *shall brief the Committee on Transportation and*
2 *Infrastructure of the House or Representatives*
3 *and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
4 *Transportation of the Senate on the cost to the*
5 *Coast Guard of meeting the requirements of sec-*
6 *tion 564 of title 14, United States Code, in fiscal*
7 *year 2024.*

8 *“(B) SECONDARY BRIEFINGS.—Not later*
9 *than November 1, 2025 and November, 1, 2026,*
10 *the Commandant shall brief the committees de-*
11 *scribed in subparagraph (A) on the cost to the*
12 *Coast Guard of meeting the requirements of sec-*
13 *tion 564 of title 14, United States Code, in fiscal*
14 *years 2025 and 2026, respectively.”.*

15 **SEC. 279. REPORT ON ROLE OF COAST GUARD.**

16 *Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment*
17 *of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with*
18 *the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard*
19 *is operating when it is not operating as a Service in the*
20 *Navy, shall prepare a report on the role the Coast Guard*
21 *is expected to play in the 5, 10, and 20 years after the date*
22 *of enactment of this Act in providing assistance to the mili-*
23 *tary departments in—*

24 *(1) working with the navies and domestic coast*
25 *guard of nations located in the Indo-Pacific region on*

1 *building capacity to protect the territorial waters of*
2 *such nations from incursions by other nations;*

3 *(2) providing a presence in the Arctic and Ant-*
4 *arctic to protect United States sovereign national se-*
5 *curity interests in the regions; and*

6 *(3) providing law enforcement capabilities which*
7 *the military departments do not possess for national*
8 *security, piracy, alien and drug interdiction, and*
9 *fishery law enforcement on the high seas.*

10 **SEC. 280. REPORT ON COAST GUARD PERSONNEL SKILLS.**

11 *Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment*
12 *of this Act, the Commandant, in consultation with Assist-*
13 *ant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), shall submit to*
14 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
15 *House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,*
16 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report that in-*
17 *cludes the following:*

18 *(1) An analysis of the skills and experience of*
19 *Coast Guard personnel, particularly such personnel*
20 *with backgrounds in engineering, navigation, heavy*
21 *equipment operation, and maintenance, that are di-*
22 *rectly transferable to the dredging industry.*

23 *(2) A plan for developing and implementing tar-*
24 *geted outreach and recruitment strategies to connect*
25 *separating or retiring Coast Guard personnel with*

1 *employment opportunities, including registered ap-*
2 *prentice programs, in the dredging industry.*

3 (3) *An evaluation of the potential for estab-*
4 *lishing programs to recognize the skills of Coast*
5 *Guard personnel for the merchant mariner credentials*
6 *necessary for employment in the dredging industry.*

7 (4) *A description of any existing or planned co-*
8 *ordination with the Corps of Engineers, employers,*
9 *relevant labor organizations, and other relevant agen-*
10 *cies to facilitate the transition of Coast Guard per-*
11 *sonnel into the dredging industry.*

12 **SEC. 281. REPORT ON COAST GUARD SEARCH AND RESCUE**
13 **OPERATIONS.**

14 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 1 year after the date*
15 *of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Com-*
16 *mandant shall submit to the Committee on Transportation*
17 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
18 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
19 *the Senate a report detailing the search and rescue oper-*
20 *ations at impacted Coast Guard facilities that contains the*
21 *following:*

22 (1) *The number of impacted Coast Guard facili-*
23 *ties.*

24 (2) *The number of active Coast Guard facilities*
25 *operating as scheduled mission stations.*

1 (3) *The number of active search and rescue per-*
2 *sonnel at each impacted Coast Guard facility.*

3 (4) *The number of search and rescue personnel at*
4 *each impacted Coast Guard facility beginning in*
5 *2021 and accounted for annually thereafter.*

6 (5) *A description of active and past first re-*
7 *sponder cooperative agreements made between each*
8 *impacted Coast Guard facility and local law enforce-*
9 *ment or first responders for search and rescue oper-*
10 *ations.*

11 (6) *The average response time for all search and*
12 *rescue operations at each impacted Coast Guard facil-*
13 *ity beginning in 2021 and accounted for annually*
14 *thereafter.*

15 (7) *The number of lives lost during search and*
16 *rescue operations at each impacted Coast Guard facil-*
17 *ity beginning in 2021 and accounted for annually*
18 *thereafter.*

19 (8) *The number of vessel safety checks adminis-*
20 *tered by an impacted Coast Guard facility beginning*
21 *in 2021 and accounted for annually thereafter.*

22 (9) *The number of search and rescue incidents in*
23 *which a facility responded to a search and rescue in-*
24 *cident in an area previously covered by an impacted*

1 *Coast Guard facility but was unable to fulfill the mis-*
2 *sion, including—*

3 *(A) the distance traveled to the destination*
4 *of each incident;*

5 *(B) the duration time traveled to reach the*
6 *destination of each incident;*

7 *(C) whether the incident resulted in a loss*
8 *of life;*

9 *(D) whether the search and rescue team was*
10 *able to reach the destination of the incident to*
11 *complete operations;*

12 *(E) whether the Coast Guard had to rely on*
13 *local authorities to address the incident due to*
14 *operational limitations for Coast Guard; and*

15 *(F) identifying the local authorities ad-*
16 *dresssing search and rescue incidents under sub-*
17 *paragraph (E).*

18 *(10) The number of ice rescue missions taken by*
19 *impacted Coast Guard facilities beginning in 2021*
20 *and accounted for annually thereafter.*

21 *(11) The area of responsibility covered by each*
22 *impacted Coast Guard facility.*

23 *(12) Any other metrics determined to be relevant*
24 *by the Commandant to convey the changes to search*

1 *and rescue operations at impacted Coast Guard fa-*
 2 *cilities.*

3 (b) *DEFINITION OF IMPACTED COAST GUARD FACIL-*
 4 *ITY.—In this section, the term “impacted Coast Guard fa-*
 5 *cility” means a facility or station that was designated as*
 6 *a schedule mission station or closed under either the Assign-*
 7 *ment Year 2024 Force Alignment Initiative or the Assign-*
 8 *ment Year 2025 Force Alignment Initiative.*

9 **SEC. 282. REPORT ON ALTERNATIVE SITES FOR THE LOCA-**
 10 **TION OF STATION ST. THOMAS.**

11 *Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of*
 12 *this Act, the Commandant shall submit to the Committee*
 13 *on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-*
 14 *resentatives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
 15 *Transportation of the Senate a report that—*

16 (1) *examines alternative sites on St. Thomas,*
 17 *Virgin Island for the location of Station St. Thomas,*
 18 *St. Thomas, Virgin Islands;*

19 (2) *analyzes geographic threats and opportuni-*
 20 *ties on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands to Coast Guard*
 21 *mission objectives; and*

22 (3) *provides a cost estimate on the cost of acquir-*
 23 *ing an alternative site which meets the mission needs*
 24 *of Station St. Thomas, including the cost of—*

25 (A) *land acquisition;*

1 (B) pier and shoreside facility construction;

2 (C) relocation of the existing facility, per-
3 sonnel, and equipment, including environmental
4 remediation at the existing site; and

5 (D) impacts (both positive and negative) on
6 Coast Guard mission readiness of a move to a
7 new site on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

8 **SEC. 283. REPORT ON EAST ROCKAWAY INLET NAVIGATION.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
10 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit
11 to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
12 the House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
13 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report
14 of the navigable waterway of the East Rockaway Inlet lo-
15 cated on Long Island, New York.

16 (b) *CONTENTS.*—The report under subsection (a) shall
17 include—

18 (1) an evaluation of potential hazards to naviga-
19 tion present in the East Rockaway Inlet;

20 (2) a map of current and future aids to naviga-
21 tion in the East Rockaway Inlet;

22 (3) an evaluation of the effects of the current
23 channel hazards on commercial navigation and safe-
24 ty;

(4) recommendations on addressing hazards to navigation present in the East Rockaway Inlet; and

(5) recommendations on updates to the necessary to aids navigation in order to maintain safety.

TITLE III—SHIPPING AND NAVIGATION

Subtitle A—Merchant Mariner Credentials

SECTION 301. MERCHANT MARINER CREDENTIALING.

(a) REDUCTION OF LENGTHS OF CERTAIN PERIODS OF SERVICE.—Section 3534 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (k) as subsection (u); and

(2) by striking subsection (j) and inserting the following:

“(j) REVISING MERCHANT MARINER DECK TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.—Section 2101 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—

“(1) by redesignating paragraphs (20) through (56) as paragraphs (21), (22), (24), (25), (26), (27), (28), (29), (30), (31), (32), (33), (34), (35), (36), (37), (38), (39), (40), (41), (42), (43), (44), (45), (46), (47),

1 (48), (49), (50), (51), (52), (53), (54), (55), (56), (57),
 2 and (58), respectively; and

3 “(2) by inserting after paragraph (19) the fol-
 4 lowing:

5 ““(20) “merchant mariner credential” means a
 6 merchant mariner license, certificate, or document
 7 that the Secretary is authorized to issue pursuant to
 8 this title.’; and

9 “(3) by inserting after paragraph (22), as so re-
 10 designated, the following:

11 ““(23) “nautical school program” means a pro-
 12 gram that—

13 ““(A) offers a comprehensive program of
 14 training that includes substantial sea service on
 15 nautical school vessels or merchant vessels of the
 16 United States primarily to train individuals for
 17 service in the merchant marine; and

18 ““(B) is approved by the Secretary for pur-
 19 poses of section 7315, in accordance with regula-
 20 tions promulgated by the Secretary.’.

21 “(k) NONCITIZENSHIP NATIONALITY.—

22 “(1) CITIZENSHIP OR NONCITIZEN NATION-
 23 ALITY.—Section 7102 of title 46, United States Code,
 24 is amended—

“(A) *in the section heading by inserting ‘or noncitizen nationality’ after ‘Citizenship’; and*

“(B) *by inserting ‘or noncitizen nationals (as such term is described in section 308 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1408))’ after ‘citizens’.*

“(2) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*

“(A) *IN GENERAL.—Section 7304 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—*

“(i) *in the section heading by inserting ‘or noncitizen nationality’ after ‘Citizenship’; and*

“(ii) *by inserting ‘or noncitizen nationals (as such term is described in section 308 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1408))’ after ‘citizens’.*

“(B) *CITIZENSHIP AND NAVY RESERVE REQUIREMENTS.—Section 8103 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—*

“(i) *in the section heading by inserting ‘or noncitizen nationality’ after ‘Citizenship’;*

“(ii) *in subsection (a) by inserting ‘or noncitizen national’ after ‘citizen’;*

1 “(iii) in subsection (b)—

2 “(I) in paragraph (1)(A)(i) by in-
3 serting ‘or noncitizen national’ after
4 ‘citizen’;

5 “(II) in paragraph (3) by insert-
6 ing ‘or noncitizen nationality’ after
7 ‘citizenship’; and

8 “(III) in paragraph (3)(C) by in-
9 serting ‘or noncitizen nationals’ after
10 ‘citizens’;

11 “(iv) in subsection (c) by inserting ‘or
12 noncitizen nationals’ after ‘citizens’;

13 “(v) in subsection (d)—

14 “(I) in paragraph (1) by insert-
15 ing ‘or noncitizen nationals’ after ‘citi-
16 zens’; and

17 “(II) in paragraph (2) by insert-
18 ing ‘or noncitizen national’ after ‘cit-
19 izen’ each place it appears;

20 “(vi) in subsection (e) by inserting ‘or
21 noncitizen national’ after ‘citizen’ each
22 place it appears;

23 “(vii) in subsection (i)(1)(A) by insert-
24 ing ‘or noncitizen national’ after ‘citizen’;

25 “(viii) in subsection (k)—

1 “(I) in paragraph (1)(A) by in-
 2 serting ‘or noncitizen national’ after
 3 ‘citizen’; and

4 “(II) in paragraph (2)—
 5 “(aa) by striking ‘Not more
 6 than’ and inserting the following:

7 “‘(A) Not more than’; and

8 “(bb) by adding at the end
 9 the following:

10 “‘(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A),
 11 for the period beginning on the date of enactment
 12 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025
 13 and ending on December 31, 2065, not more
 14 than 50 percent of the unlicensed seamen on a
 15 vessel described in paragraph (1) may be aliens
 16 referred to in subparagraph (B) or (C) of such
 17 paragraph.’; and

18 “(ix) by adding at the end the fol-
 19 lowing:

20 “‘(l) NONCITIZEN NATIONAL DEFINED.—In this sec-
 21 tion, the term “noncitizen national” means an individual
 22 described in section 308 of the Immigration and Nation-
 23 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1408).’.

24 “(C) COMMAND OF DOCUMENTED VES-
 25 SELS.—Section 12131(a) of title 46, United

1 *States Code, is amended by inserting ‘or noncit-*
 2 *izen national (as such term is described in sec-*
 3 *tion 308 of the Immigration and Nationality Act*
 4 *(8 U.S.C. 1408))’ after ‘citizen’.*

5 “(D) *INVALIDATION OF CERTIFICATES OF*
 6 *DOCUMENTATION.*—Section 12135(2) of title 46,
 7 *United States Code, is amended by inserting ‘or*
 8 *noncitizen national (as such term is described in*
 9 *section 308 of the Immigration and Nationality*
 10 *Act (8 U.S.C. 1408))’ after ‘citizen’.*

11 “(3) *CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.*—

12 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The analysis for chap-*
 13 *ter 71 of title 46, United States Code, is amend-*
 14 *ed by striking the item relating to section 7102*
 15 *and inserting the following:*

“‘7102. *Citizenship or noncitizen nationality.*’.

16 “(B) *SECTION 7304.*—*The analysis for chap-*
 17 *ter 73 of title 46, United States Code, is amend-*
 18 *ed by striking the item relating to section 7304*
 19 *and inserting the following:*

“‘7304. *Citizenship or noncitizen nationality notation on merchant mariners’*
documents.’.

20 “(C) *SECTION 8103.*—*The analysis for chap-*
 21 *ter 81 of title 46, United States Code, is amend-*

1 *ed by striking the item relating to section 8103*
 2 *and inserting the following:*

“‘8103. *Citizenship or noncitizen nationality and Navy Reserve requirements.*’.

3 “(l) *EXAMINATIONS.—Section 7116 of title 46, United*
 4 *States Code, is amended by striking subsection (c).*

5 “(m) *MERCHANT MARINERS DOCUMENTS.—Chapter*
 6 *73 of title 46, United States Code is amended—*

7 “(1) *by amending section 7306 to read as fol-*
 8 *lows:*

9 “**“§ 7306. *General requirements and classifications for***
 10 ***members of deck departments***

11 ““(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may issue a mer-*
 12 *chant mariner credential, to members of the deck depart-*
 13 *ment in the following classes:*

14 ““(1) *Able Seaman-Unlimited.*

15 ““(2) *Able Seaman-Limited.*

16 ““(3) *Able Seaman-Special.*

17 ““(4) *Able Seaman-Offshore Supply Vessels.*

18 ““(5) *Able Seaman-Sail.*

19 ““(6) *Able Seaman-Fishing Industry.*

20 ““(7) *Ordinary Seaman.*

21 ““(b) *CLASSIFICATION OF CREDENTIALS.—The Sec-*
 22 *retary may classify the merchant mariner credential issued*
 23 *under subsection (a) based on—*

24 ““(1) *the tonnage and means of propulsion of*
 25 *vessels;*

1 “(2) *the waters on which vessels are to be oper-*
2 *ated; or*

3 “(3) *other appropriate standards.*

4 “(c) *QUALIFICATIONS.—To qualify for a credential*
5 *under this section, an applicant shall provide satisfactory*
6 *proof that the applicant—*

7 “(1) *is at least 18 years of age;*

8 “(2) *has the service required by the applicable*
9 *section of this part;*

10 “(3) *is qualified professionally as demonstrated*
11 *by an applicable examination or educational require-*
12 *ments;*

13 “(4) *is qualified as to sight, hearing, and phys-*
14 *ical condition to perform the seafarer’s duties; and*

15 “(5) *has satisfied any additional requirements*
16 *established by the Secretary, including career patterns*
17 *and service appropriate to the particular service, in-*
18 *dustry, or job functions the individual is engaged.’;*

19 “(2) *in section 7307 by striking ‘3 years’ and in-*
20 *serting ‘18 months’;*

21 “(3) *in section 7308 by striking ‘18 months’ and*
22 *inserting ‘12 months’;*

23 “(4) *in section 7309 by striking ‘12 months’ and*
24 *inserting ‘6 months’;*

25 “(5) *in section 7313—*

1 “(A) in subsection (b) by striking ‘and coal
2 passer’; and

3 “(B) by striking subsection (c) and insert-
4 ing the following:

5 “‘(c) CLASSIFICATION OF CREDENTIALS.—The Sec-
6 retary may classify the merchant mariner credential issued
7 under subsection (a) based on—

8 “‘(1) the tonnage and means of propulsion of
9 vessels;

10 “‘(2) the waters on which vessels are to be oper-
11 ated; or

12 “‘(3) other appropriate standards.

13 “‘(d) QUALIFICATIONS.—To qualify for a credential
14 under this section, an applicant shall provide satisfactory
15 proof that the applicant—

16 “‘(1) is at least 18 years of age;

17 “‘(2) has a minimum of 6-months service in the
18 related entry rating;

19 “‘(3) is qualified professionally as demonstrated
20 by an applicable examination or educational require-
21 ments; and

22 “‘(4) is qualified as to sight, hearing, and phys-
23 ical condition to perform the member’s duties.’; and

24 “(6) by amending section 7315 to read as fol-
25 lows:

1 **“§ 7315. Training**

2 “(a) NAUTICAL SCHOOL PROGRAM.—Graduation
3 *from a nautical school program may be substituted for the*
4 *sea service requirements under sections 7307 through 7311a*
5 *and 7313 of this title.*

6 “(b) OTHER APPROVED TRAINING PROGRAMS.—The
7 *satisfactory completion of a training program approved by*
8 *the Secretary may be substituted for not more than one-*
9 *half of the sea service requirements under sections 7307*
10 *through 7311a and 7313 of this title in accordance with*
11 *subsection (c).*

12 “(c) TRAINING DAYS.—For purposes of subsection (b),
13 *training days undertaken in connection with training pro-*
14 *grams approved by the Secretary may be substituted for*
15 *days of required sea service under sections 7307 through*
16 *7311a and 7313 of this title as follows:*

17 “(1) *Each shore-based training day in the form*
18 *of classroom lectures may be substituted for 2 days of*
19 *sea service requirements.*

20 “(2) *Each training day of laboratory training,*
21 *practical demonstrations, and other similar training,*
22 *may be substituted for 4 days of sea service require-*
23 *ments.*

24 “(3) *Each training day of full mission simu-*
25 *lator training may be substituted for 6 days of sea*
26 *service requirements.*

1 “(4) *Each training day underway on a vessel*
 2 *while enrolled in an approved training program may*
 3 *be substituted for 1½ days of sea service require-*
 4 *ments, as long as—*

5 “(A) *the structured training provided*
 6 *while underway on a vessel is—*

7 “(i) *acceptable to the Secretary as*
 8 *part of the approved training program; and*

9 “(ii) *fully completed by the indi-*
 10 *vidual; and*

11 “(B) *the tonnage of such vessel is appro-*
 12 *priate to the endorsement being sought.*

13 “(d) *DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “training*
 14 *day” means a day that consists of not less than 7 hours*
 15 *of training.’.*

16 “(n) *IMPLEMENTATION.—*

17 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the depart-*
 18 *ment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall im-*
 19 *plement the requirements under subsection (c) of sec-*
 20 *tion 7306 of title 46, United States Code (as amended*
 21 *by this section), without regard to chapters 5 and 6*
 22 *of title 5, United States Code, and Executive Orders*
 23 *12866 and 13563 (5 U.S.C. 601 note).*

24 “(2) *SECTION 7315.—The Secretary of the depart-*
 25 *ment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall im-*

1 *plement the requirements of section 7315 of title 46,*
 2 *United States Code, as amended by this subsection,*
 3 *without regard to chapters 5 and 6 of title 5, United*
 4 *States Code, and Executive Orders 12866 and 13563*
 5 *(5 U.S.C. 601 note) and 14094 (88 Fed. Reg. 21879).*

6 “(o) *REPEAL.*—Section 7314 of title 46, United States
 7 Code, and the item relating to such section in the analysis
 8 for chapter 73 of such title, are repealed.

9 “(p) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chap-
 10 *ter 73 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by strik-*
 11 *ing the item relating to section 7306 and inserting the fol-*
 12 *lowing:*

“‘7306. General requirements and classifications for members of deck depart-
 ments.’.”

13 “(q) *AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 75.*—Chapter 75 of
 14 title 46, United States Code, is amended—

15 “(1) in section 7507 by adding at the end the fol-
 16 *lowing:*

17 ““(d) *RENEWAL.*—With respect to any renewal of an
 18 active merchant mariner credential issued under this part
 19 that is not an extension under subsection (a) or (b), such
 20 credential shall begin the day after the expiration of the
 21 active credential of the credential holder.’; and

22 “(2) in section 7510(c)—

1 “(A) in the subsection heading by striking
2 ‘EXAM REVIEW’ and inserting ‘WORKING
3 GROUP’;

4 “(B) in paragraph (1)—

5 “(i) by striking ‘90 days’ and inserting
6 ‘180 days’;

7 “(ii) by striking ‘Coast Guard Author-
8 ization Act of 2016’ and insert ‘Coast
9 Guard Authorization Act of 2025’;

10 “(iii) by striking ‘new questions for in-
11 clusion in’ and inserting ‘questions, content,
12 and relevancy of’;

13 “(iv) by redesignating subparagraphs
14 (E), (F), and (G) as subparagraphs (G),
15 (H), and (I), respectively; and

16 “(v) by inserting after subparagraph
17 (D) the following:

18 “‘(E) at least 2 individuals that have taken
19 and passed the examination in the 5 years before
20 the commissioning of the working group;

21 “‘(F) at least 1 representative from the
22 United States Merchant Marine Academy; ’;

23 “(C) in paragraph (4)—

1 “(i) in the paragraph heading by strik-
2 ing ‘BASELINE REVIEW’ and inserting ‘RE-
3 VIEW’;

4 “(ii) in subparagraph (A)—

5 “(I) by striking ‘Within 1 year’
6 and inserting ‘Not later than 270
7 days’;

8 “(II) by striking ‘Coast Guard
9 Authorization Act of 2016’ and insert-
10 ing ‘Coast Guard Authorization Act of
11 2025’;

12 “(III) by striking ‘Secretary’ and
13 inserting ‘Commandant’;

14 “(IV) by redesignating clauses (i),
15 (ii), (iii), and (iv) as clauses (ii), (iii),
16 (iv), and (vii), respectively;

17 “(V) in clause (iv), as so redesign-
18 ated, by striking ‘; and’ and inserting
19 a semicolon;

20 “(VI) by inserting before clause
21 (ii) the following:

22 “(i) industry standards, practices,
23 and technology to be considered in the Mer-
24 chant Mariner Credentialing Examination;
25 ’; and

1 “(VII) by inserting after clause
2 (iv) the following:

3 ““(v) the relevancy of examination top-
4 ics and contents;

5 ““(vi) any redundancy of core com-
6 petencies between the Merchant Mariner
7 Credentialing Examination and Standards
8 of Training, Certification, and
9 Watchingkeeping competencies; and”;

10 “(iii) by striking subparagraph (B)
11 and inserting the following:

12 ““(B) REPORT TO COMMANDANT.—Upon
13 completion of the review under this paragraph,
14 a report shall be provided to the Commandant
15 which shall include findings of the review with
16 recommendations for updates to the Merchant
17 Marine Credentialling Examination. ”;

18 “(D) by striking paragraphs (3), (5), and
19 (8);

20 “(E) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and
21 (9) as paragraphs (5) and (8), respectively; and

22 “(F) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
23 following:

24 ““(3) MEETING OF WORKING GROUP.—

1 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commandant*
 2 *shall convene the working group annually or at*
 3 *the creation of new examination questions,*
 4 *whichever occurs sooner.*

5 “(B) *REMOTE PARTICIPATION.*—*The Com-*
 6 *mandant shall allow any member of the working*
 7 *group to participate remotely if the member of*
 8 *the working group does not have the means to*
 9 *participate in person.*

10 “(4) *USE OF QUESTIONS.*—*The Commandant*
 11 *may not use questions developed for use in the Mer-*
 12 *chant Mariner Credentialing Examination until such*
 13 *questions are reviewed and approved by the working*
 14 *group.’.*

15 “(r) *PLAN.*—

16 “(1) *REQUIREMENT.*—*Not later than 270 days*
 17 *after the completion of the review under paragraph*
 18 *(4) of subsection (c), the Commandant shall develop*
 19 *a plan to update and modernize the Merchant Mar-*
 20 *iner Credentialing Examination and implement the*
 21 *recommendations developed by the review under such*
 22 *paragraph.*

23 “(2) *CONTENTS.*—*The plan developed under*
 24 *paragraph (1) shall not diminish demonstrated com-*
 25 *petency standards and shall include—*

1 “(A) the elimination of redundant topics be-
2 tween the Merchant Mariner Credentialing Ex-
3 amination and other examinations required to
4 obtain a Merchant Mariner Credential;

5 “(B) the elimination or updating of out-
6 dated topics, contents, core competencies, or ques-
7 tions covered by the Merchant Mariner
8 Credentialing Examination;

9 “(C) the modernization of testing procedures
10 consistent with contemporary procedures for
11 standardized testing administration and evalua-
12 tion; and

13 “(D) the development of methods to analyze
14 examination data related to the effectiveness of
15 questions in determining competency.

16 “(3) COORDINATION.—In developing the plan
17 under paragraph (1), the Commandant shall develop
18 such plan in consultation with the working group and
19 individuals with expertise in modern best practices
20 for relevant standardized testing.

21 “(4) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 1
22 year after the date of enactment of the Coast Guard
23 Authorization Act of 2025, the Coast Guard shall pro-
24 vide to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
25 structure of the House of Representatives and the

1 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
 2 *tation of the Senate a briefing on the review and plan*
 3 *developed under this subsection.*

4 “(s) *AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 77.—Section*
 5 *7702(d)(1) of title 46, United States Code, is amended—*

6 “(1) *in subparagraph (B) by redesignating*
 7 *clauses (i) through (iv) as subclauses (I) through (IV),*
 8 *respectively (and by conforming the margins accord-*
 9 *ingly);*

10 “(2) *by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and*
 11 *(B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively (and by con-*
 12 *forming the margins accordingly);*

13 “(3) *by striking ‘an individual if—’ and insert-*
 14 *ing the following: ‘an individual—*

15 *“‘(A) if—’;*

16 “(4) *in subparagraph (A)(ii)(IV), as so redesign-*
 17 *ated, by striking the period at the end and inserting*
 18 *‘; or’; and*

19 “(5) *by adding at the end the following:*

20 *“‘(B) if there is probable cause to believe that*
 21 *the individual has violated company policy and is a*
 22 *security risk that poses a threat to other individuals*
 23 *on the vessel.’.*

24 “(t) *TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*

1 “(1) *TITLE 46.*—*Title 46, United States Code, is*
2 *amended—*

3 “(A) *in section 2101(47)(B) by striking ‘;*
4 *and’ and inserting ‘; or’;*

5 “(B) *in section 2113(3) by striking ‘section*
6 *2101(53)(A)’ and inserting ‘section 2101(55)(A)’;*

7 “(C) *in section 3202(a)(1)(A) by striking*
8 *‘section 2101(29)(A)’ and inserting ‘section*
9 *2101(31)(A)’;*

10 “(D) *in section 3507(k)(1) by striking ‘sec-*
11 *tion 2101(31)’ and inserting ‘section 2101(33)’;*

12 “(E) *in section 4105(d) by striking ‘section*
13 *2101(53)(A)’ and inserting ‘section 2101(55)(A)’;*

14 “(F) *in section 12119(a)(3) by striking ‘sec-*
15 *tion 2101(26)’ and inserting ‘section 2101(28)’;*
16 *and*

17 “(G) *in section 51706(c)(6)(C)(ii) by strik-*
18 *ing ‘section 2101(24)’ and inserting ‘section*
19 *2101(26)’.*

20 “(2) *OTHER LAWS.*—

21 “(A) *Section 3(3) of the Magnuson-Stevens*
22 *Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16*
23 *U.S.C. 1802(3)) is amended by striking*
24 *‘2101(30) of title 46’ and inserting ‘2101 of title*
25 *46’.*

1 “(B) Section 1992(d)(7) of title 18, United
 2 States Code, is amended by striking ‘section
 3 2101(31) of title 46’ and inserting ‘section 2101
 4 of title 46’.

5 “(C) Section 311(a)(26)(D) of the Federal
 6 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
 7 1321(a)(26)(D)) is amended by striking ‘section
 8 2101(23)’ and inserting ‘section 2101’.

9 “(D) Section 1101 of title 49, United States
 10 Code, is amended by striking ‘Section 2101(23)’
 11 and inserting ‘Section 2101(24)’.”.

12 (b) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendment made by sub-
 13 section (a) shall take effect on the date of enactment of this
 14 Act.

15 **SEC. 302. NONOPERATING INDIVIDUAL.**

16 Section 8313(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry
 17 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021
 18 (Public Law 116–283) is amended by striking “2025” and
 19 inserting “2029”.

20 ***Subtitle B—Vessel Safety***

21 **SEC. 311. GROSSLY NEGLIGENT OPERATIONS OF A VESSEL.**

22 Section 2302(b) of title 46, United States Code, is
 23 amended to read as follows:

24 “(b) *GROSSLY NEGLIGENT OPERATION.*—

1 “(1) *MISDEMEANOR*.—A person operating a ves-
 2 *sel in a grossly negligent manner that endangers the*
 3 *life, limb, or property of a person commits a class A*
 4 *misdemeanor.*

5 “(2) *FELONY*.—A person operating a vessel in a
 6 *grossly negligent manner that results in serious bodily*
 7 *injury, as defined in section 1365(h)(3) of title 18—*

8 “(A) *commits a class E felony; and*

9 “(B) *may be assessed a civil penalty of not*
 10 *more than \$35,000.”.*

11 **SEC. 312. PERFORMANCE DRIVEN EXAMINATION SCHED-**
 12 **ULE.**

13 (a) *AMENDMENTS*.—Section 3714 of title 46, United
 14 *States Code, is amended—*

15 (1) *in subsection (a)(1) by striking “The Sec-*
 16 *retary” and inserting “Except as provided in sub-*
 17 *section (c), the Secretary”;*

18 (2) *by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection*
 19 *(d); and*

20 (3) *by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-*
 21 *lowing:*

22 “(c) *PERFORMANCE-DRIVEN EXAMINATION SCHED-*
 23 *ULE.*—

24 “(1) *IN GENERAL*.—With respect to examinations
 25 *of foreign vessels to which this chapter applies, and*

1 *subject to paragraph (3), the Secretary may adopt a*
2 *performance-driven examination schedule to which*
3 *such vessels are to be examined and the frequency*
4 *with which such examinations occur, including the*
5 *frequency of examinations for each vessel. Such sched-*
6 *ule shall be consistent with the Secretary's assessment*
7 *of the safety performance of such vessels, including*
8 *each vessel participating in the performance-driven*
9 *examination schedule, in accordance with paragraph*
10 *(2).*

11 *“(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing an exam-*
12 *ination schedule under paragraph (1) and subject to*
13 *paragraph (3), with respect to each vessel in deter-*
14 *mining eligibility to participate in the performance*
15 *based examination schedule—*

16 *“(A) the Secretary shall consider—*

17 *“(i) certificate of compliance and ex-*
18 *amination history, to include those con-*
19 *ducted by foreign countries;*

20 *“(ii) history of violations, vessel deten-*
21 *tions, incidents, and casualties;*

22 *“(iii) history of notices of violation*
23 *issued by the Coast Guard;*

24 *“(iv) safety related information pro-*
25 *vided by the flag state of the vessel;*

1 “(v) owner and operator history;

2 “(vi) historical classification society
3 data, which may include relevant surveys;

4 “(vii) cargo-specific documentation;

5 “(viii) data from port state control
6 safety exams; and

7 “(ix) relevant repair and maintenance
8 history; and

9 “(B) the Secretary may consider—

10 “(i) data from relevant vessel quality
11 assurance and risk assessment programs in-
12 cluding Quality Shipping for the 21st Cen-
13 tury (QUALSHIP 21);

14 “(ii) data from industry inspection re-
15 gimes;

16 “(iii) data from vessel self assessments
17 submitted to the International Maritime
18 Organization or other maritime organiza-
19 tions; and

20 “(iv) other safety relevant data or in-
21 formation as determined by the Secretary.

22 “(3) ELIGIBILITY.—In developing an examina-
23 tion schedule under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall
24 not consider a vessel eligible to take part in a per-
25 formance-driven examination schedule under para-

1 *graph (1) if, within the last 36 months, the vessel*
2 *has—*

3 *“(A) been detained by the Coast Guard;*

4 *“(B) a record of a violation issued by the*
5 *Coast Guard against the owners or operators*
6 *with a finding of proved; or*

7 *“(C) suffered a marine casualty that, as de-*
8 *termined by the Secretary, involves the safe oper-*
9 *ation of the vessel and overall performance of the*
10 *vessel.*

11 *“(4) RESTRICTIONS.—The Secretary may not*
12 *adopt a performance-driven examination schedule*
13 *under paragraph (1) until the Secretary has—*

14 *“(A) conducted the assessment recommended*
15 *in the Government Accountability Office report*
16 *submitted under section 8254(a) of the William*
17 *M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Author-*
18 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law*
19 *116–283);*

20 *“(B) concluded through such assessment*
21 *that a performance-driven examination schedule*
22 *provides not less than the level of safety provided*
23 *by the annual examinations required under sub-*
24 *section (a)(1); and*

1 “(C) *provided the results of such assessment*
2 *to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
3 *Transportation of the Senate and the Committee*
4 *on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
5 *House of Representatives.”.*

6 (b) *CAREER INCENTIVE PAY FOR MARINE INSPEC-*
7 *TORS.—Subsection (a) of section 11237 of the James M.*
8 *Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
9 *2023 (37 U.S.C. 352 note) is amended as follows:*

10 “(a) *AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSIGNMENT PAY OR*
11 *SPECIAL DUTY PAY.—For the purposes of addressing an*
12 *identified shortage of marine inspectors, the Secretary may*
13 *provide assignment pay or special duty pay under section*
14 *352 of title 37, United States Code, to a member of the Coast*
15 *Guard serving in a prevention position that—*

16 “(1) *is assigned in support of or is serving as a*
17 *marine inspector pursuant to section 312 of title 14,*
18 *United States Code; and*

19 “(2) *is assigned to a billet that is difficult to fill*
20 *due to geographic location, requisite experience or cer-*
21 *tifications, or lack of sufficient candidates, as deter-*
22 *mined by the Commandant, in an effort to address*
23 *inspector workforce gaps.”.*

24 (c) *BRIEFING.—Not later than 6 months after the date*
25 *of enactment of this Act, and annually for 2 years after*

1 *the implementation of a performance-driven examination*
 2 *schedule program under section 3714(c) of title 46, United*
 3 *States Code, the Commandant shall brief the Committee on*
 4 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and*
 5 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
 6 *House of Representatives on—*

7 (1) *the status of utilizing the performance-driven*
 8 *examination schedule program, including the quan-*
 9 *tity of examinations conducted and duration between*
 10 *examinations for each individual vessel examined*
 11 *under the performance-driven examination schedule;*

12 (2) *an overview of the size of the Coast Guard*
 13 *marine inspector workforce, including any personnel*
 14 *shortages assessed by the Coast Guard, for inspectors*
 15 *that conduct inspections under section 3714 of such*
 16 *title; and*

17 (3) *recommendations for the inspection, govern-*
 18 *ance, or oversight of vessels inspected under section*
 19 *3714 of such title.*

20 **SEC. 313. FISHING VESSEL AND FISHERMAN TRAINING**
 21 **SAFETY.**

22 *Section 4502 of title 46, United States Code, is amend-*
 23 *ed—*

24 (1) *in subsection (i)—*

25 (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

1 (i) in subparagraph (A)(ii) by striking
2 “; and” and inserting a semicolon;
3 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph (B)
4 as subparagraph (C); and
5 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph
6 (A) the following:

7 “(B) to conduct safety and prevention
8 training that addresses behavioral and physical
9 health risks, to include substance use disorder
10 and worker fatigue, facing fishing vessel opera-
11 tors and crewmembers; and”;

12 (B) in paragraph (2)—

13 (i) by striking “, in consultation with
14 and based on criteria established by the
15 Commandant of the Coast Guard”; and

16 (ii) by striking “subsection on a com-
17 petitive basis” and inserting the following:
18 “subsection—

19 “(A) on a competitive basis; and

20 “(B) based on criteria developed in con-
21 sultation with the Commandant of the Coast
22 Guard”; and

23 (C) in paragraph (4) by striking
24 “\$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2023” and inserting
25 “to the Secretary of Health and Human Services

1 \$6,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025, and
2 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029”; and

3 (2) in subsection (j)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1) by inserting “, and
5 understanding and mitigating behavioral and
6 physical health risks, to include substance use
7 disorder and worker fatigue, facing members of
8 the commercial fishing industry” after “weather
9 detection”;

10 (B) in paragraph (2)—

11 (i) by striking “, in consultation with
12 and based on criteria established by the
13 Commandant of the Coast Guard,”; and

14 (ii) by striking “subsection on a com-
15 petitive basis” and inserting the following:
16 “subsection—

17 “(A) on a competitive basis; and

18 “(B) based on criteria developed in con-
19 sultation with the Commandant of the Coast
20 Guard”; and

21 (C) in paragraph (4) by striking
22 “\$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2023” and inserting
23 “to the Secretary of Health and Human Services
24 \$6,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025 , and
25 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029”.

1 **SEC. 314. DESIGNATING PILOTAGE WATERS FOR THE**
2 **STRAITS OF MACKINAC.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 9302(a)(1)(A) of title 46,
4 *United States Code*, is amended by striking “in waters”
5 and inserting “in the Straits of Mackinac and in all other
6 waters”.

7 (b) *DEFINITION OF THE STRAITS OF MACKINAC.*—Sec-
8 tion 9302 of title 46, *United States Code*, is amended by
9 adding at the end the following:

10 “(g) *DEFINITION OF THE STRAITS OF MACKINAC.*—In
11 this section, the term ‘Straits of Mackinac’ includes all of
12 the United States navigable waters bounded by longitudes
13 84 degrees 20 minutes west and 85 degrees 10 minutes west
14 and latitudes 45 degrees 39 minutes north and 45 degrees
15 54 minutes north, including Gray’s Reef Passage, the South
16 Channel, and Round Island Passage, and approaches there-
17 to.”.

18 **SEC. 315. RECEIPTS; INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS FOR**
19 **ICE PATROL SERVICES.**

20 Section 80301(c) of title 46, *United States Code*, is
21 amended by striking the period at the end and inserting
22 “and shall remain available until expended for the purpose
23 of the Coast Guard international ice patrol program under
24 this chapter.”.

1 **SEC. 316. STUDY OF AMPHIBIOUS VESSELS.**

2 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Commandant shall conduct a
3 study to determine the applicability of current safety regu-
4 lations that apply to commercial amphibious vessels.

5 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The study required under subsection
6 (a) shall include the following:

7 (1) *An overview and analysis that identifies*
8 *safety regulations that apply to commercial amphib-*
9 *ious vessels;*

10 (2) *An evaluation of whether safety gaps and*
11 *risks exist associated with the application of regula-*
12 *tions identified in subsection (b)(1) to the operation*
13 *of commercial amphibious vessels;*

14 (3) *An evaluation of whether aspects of the regu-*
15 *lations established in section 11502 of the James M.*
16 *Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
17 *Year 2023 (46 U.S.C. 3306 note) should apply to am-*
18 *phibious commercial vessels; and*

19 (4) *Recommendations on potential regulations*
20 *that should apply to commercial amphibious vessels.*

21 (c) *REPORT.*—Not later than 1 year after the date of
22 enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit to the
23 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the
24 House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,
25 Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report con-

1 taining the findings, conclusions, and recommendations
 2 from the study required under subsection (a).

3 (d) *DEFINITION OF AMPHIBIOUS VESSEL.*—In this sec-
 4 tion, the term “amphibious vessel” means a vessel which
 5 is operating as a small passenger vessel in waters subject
 6 to the jurisdiction of the United States, as defined in section
 7 2.38 of title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor
 8 regulation) and is operating as a motor vehicle as defined
 9 in section 216 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7550) and
 10 that is not a DUKW amphibious passenger vessel as defined
 11 in section 11502 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense
 12 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (46 U.S.C. 3306
 13 note).

14 **SEC. 317. ST. LUCIE RIVER RAILROAD BRIDGE.**

15 Regarding Docket Number USCG–2022–0222, before
 16 adopting a final rule, the Commandant shall conduct an
 17 independent boat traffic study at mile 7.4 of the St. Lucie
 18 River.

19 **SEC. 318. LARGE RECREATIONAL VESSEL REGULATIONS.**

20 Section 3529(a)(3) of the John S. McCain National
 21 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public
 22 Law 115–232) is amended by striking “this Act” and in-
 23 serting “the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025”.

Subtitle C—Ports

SEC. 321. PORTS AND WATERWAYS SAFETY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8343 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (46 U.S.C. 70034 note) is amended—

(1) by striking “2-year pilot program” and inserting “pilot program”;

(2) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (d); and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(c) AUTHORIZATION.—The pilot program under subsection (a) is authorized for fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029.”.

(b) WATERFRONT SAFETY.—Section 70011(a) of title 46, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1) by inserting “, including damage or destruction resulting from cyber incidents, transnational organized crime, or foreign state threats” after “adjacent to such waters”; and

(2) in paragraph (2) by inserting “or harm resulting from cyber incidents, transnational organized crime, or foreign state threats” after “loss”.

(c) FACILITY VISIT BY STATE SPONSOR OF TERRORISM.—Section 70011(b) of title 46, United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (3) by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (4) by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(5) prohibiting a representative of a govern-
7 ment of country that the Secretary of State has deter-
8 mined has repeatedly provided support for acts of
9 international terrorism under section 620A of the
10 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371) from
11 visiting a facility for which a facility security plan
12 is required under section 70103(c).”.

13 (d) GREAT LAKES AND SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY
14 NAVIGATION.—Section 70032 of title 46, United States
15 Code, is amended to read as follows:

16 **“§ 70032. Delegation of ports and waterways authori-**
17 **ties in Saint Lawrence Seaway**

18 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
19 (b), the authority granted to the Secretary under sections
20 70001, 70002, 70003, 70004, and 70011 may not be dele-
21 gated with respect to the Saint Lawrence Seaway to any
22 agency other than the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway
23 Development Corporation. Any other authority granted the
24 Secretary under subchapters I through III and this sub-
25 chapter shall be delegated by the Secretary to the Great

1 *Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation to*
 2 *the extent the Secretary determines such delegation is nec-*
 3 *essary for the proper operation of the Saint Lawrence Sea-*
 4 *way.*

5 “(b) *EXCEPTION.*—*The Secretary of the department in*
 6 *which the Coast Guard is operating, after consultation with*
 7 *the Secretary or the head of an agency to which the Sec-*
 8 *retary has delegated the authorities in subsection (a),*
 9 *may—*

10 “(1) *issue and enforce special orders in accord-*
 11 *ance with section 70002;*

12 “(2) *establish water or waterfront safety zones,*
 13 *or other measures, for limited, controlled, or condi-*
 14 *tional access and activity when necessary for the pro-*
 15 *tection of any vessel structure, waters, or shore area,*
 16 *as permitted in section 70011(b)(3); and*

17 “(3) *take actions for port, harbor, and coastal fa-*
 18 *cility security in accordance with section 70116.”.*

19 (e) *REGULATION OF ANCHORAGE AND MOVEMENT OF*
 20 *VESSELS DURING NATIONAL EMERGENCY.*—*Section 70051*
 21 *of title 46, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
 22 *“or cyber incidents, or transnational organized crime, or*
 23 *foreign state threats,” after “threatened war, or invasion,*
 24 *or insurrection, or subversive activity,”.*

1 (f) *GREAT LAKES AND SAINT LAWRENCE RIVER COOP-*
 2 *ERATIVE VESSEL TRAFFIC SERVICE.*—Not later than 2
 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
 4 of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating
 5 shall issue or amend such regulations as are necessary to
 6 address any applicable arrangements with the Canadian
 7 Coast Guard regarding vessel traffic services cooperation
 8 and vessel traffic management data exchanges within the
 9 Saint Lawrence Seaway and the Great Lakes.

10 (g) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 11 700 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by striking
 12 the item relating to section 70032 and inserting the fol-
 13 lowing:

“70032. Delegation of ports and waterways authorities in Saint Lawrence Sea-
 way.”.

14 **SEC. 322. STUDY ON BERING STRAIT VESSEL TRAFFIC PRO-**
 15 **JECTIONS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE POS-**
 16 **TURE AT PORTS OF THE UNITED STATES.**

17 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the
 18 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall seek
 19 to enter into an agreement with the National Academies
 20 of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, under which the
 21 Marine Board of the Transportation Research Board (in
 22 this section referred to as the “Board”) shall conduct a
 23 study to—

1 (1) *analyze commercial vessel traffic that tran-*
2 *sits through the Bering Strait and projections for the*
3 *growth of such traffic during the 10-year period be-*
4 *ginning after such date of enactment; and*

5 (2) *assess the adequacy of emergency response ca-*
6 *pabilities and infrastructure at the Port of Point*
7 *Spencer, Alaska, to address navigation safety risks*
8 *and geographic challenges necessary to conduct emer-*
9 *gency maritime response operations in the Arctic en-*
10 *vironment.*

11 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The study required under subsection*
12 (a) *shall include the following:*

13 (1) *An analysis of the volume and types of do-*
14 *mestic and international commercial vessel traffic*
15 *through the Bering Strait and the projected growth of*
16 *such traffic, including a summary of—*

17 (A) *the sizes, ages, and flag states of vessels;*
18 and

19 (B) *the oil and product tankers that are—*

20 (i) *in transit to or from Russia or*
21 *China; or*

22 (ii) *owned or operated by a Russian or*
23 *Chinese entity.*

24 (2) *An assessment of the state and adequacy of*
25 *vessel traffic services and oil spill and emergency re-*

1 *sponse capabilities in the vicinity of the Bering*
2 *Strait, including its approaches.*

3 (3) *A risk assessment of the projected growth in*
4 *commercial vessel traffic in the Bering Strait and*
5 *higher probability of increased frequency in the num-*
6 *ber of maritime accidents, including spill events, and*
7 *the potential impacts to the Arctic maritime environ-*
8 *ment and Native Alaskan village communities in the*
9 *vicinity of the Bering Strait.*

10 (4) *An evaluation of the ability of the Port of*
11 *Point Spencer, Alaska, to serve as a port of refuge*
12 *and as a staging, logistics, and operations center to*
13 *conduct and support maritime emergency and spill*
14 *response activities.*

15 (5) *Recommendations for practical actions that*
16 *can be taken by the Congress, Federal agencies, the*
17 *State of Alaska, vessel carriers and operators, the ma-*
18 *rine salvage and emergency response industry, and*
19 *other relevant stakeholders to mitigate risks, upgrade*
20 *infrastructure, and improve the posture of the Port of*
21 *Point Spencer, Alaska, to function as a strategic stag-*
22 *ing and logistics center for maritime emergency and*
23 *spill response operations in the Bering Strait region.*

24 (c) *CONSULTATION.*—*In conducting the study required*
25 *under subsection (a), the Board shall consult with—*

- 1 (1) *the Department of Transportation;*
- 2 (2) *the Corps of Engineers;*
- 3 (3) *the National Transportation Safety Board;*
- 4 (4) *relevant ministries of the government of Can-*
5 *ada;*
- 6 (5) *the Port Coordination Council for the Port of*
7 *Point Spencer; and*
- 8 (6) *non-government entities with relevant exper-*
9 *tise in monitoring and characterizing vessel traffic in*
10 *the Arctic.*

11 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 1 year after initiating*
12 *the study under subsection (a), the Board shall submit to*
13 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
14 *House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,*
15 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate a report con-*
16 *taining the findings and recommendations of the study.*

17 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

18 (1) *ARCTIC.*—*The term “Arctic” has the mean-*
19 *ing given such term in section 112 of the Arctic Re-*
20 *search and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4111).*

21 (2) *PORT COORDINATION COUNCIL FOR THE*
22 *PORT OF POINT SPENCER.*—*The term “Port Coordina-*
23 *tion Council for the Port of Point Spencer” means the*
24 *Council established under section 541 of the Coast*

1 *Guard Authorization Act of 2015 (Public Law 114–*
2 *120).*

3 **SEC. 323. IMPROVING VESSEL TRAFFIC SERVICE MONI-**
4 **TORING.**

5 *(a) PROXIMITY OF ANCHORAGES TO PIPELINES.—*

6 *(1) IMPLEMENTATION OF RESTRUCTURING*
7 *PLAN.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enact-*
8 *ment of this Act, the Commandant shall implement*
9 *the November 2021 proposed plan of the Vessel Traffic*
10 *Service Los Angeles-Long Beach for restructuring the*
11 *Federal anchorages in San Pedro Bay described on*
12 *page 54 of the Report of the National Transportation*
13 *Safety Board titled “Anchor Strike of Underwater*
14 *Pipeline and Eventual Crude Oil Release” and issued*
15 *January 2, 2024.*

16 *(2) STUDY.—The Secretary of the department in*
17 *which the Coast Guard is operating shall conduct a*
18 *study to identify any anchorage grounds other than*
19 *the San Pedro Bay Federal anchorages in which the*
20 *distance between the center of an approved anchorage*
21 *ground and a pipeline is less than 1 mile.*

22 *(3) REPORT.—*

23 *(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years*
24 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
25 *mandant shall submit to the Committee on*

1 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House*
2 *of Representatives and the Committee on Com-*
3 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate*
4 *a report on the results of the study required*
5 *under paragraph (2).*

6 *(B) CONTENTS.—The report under subpara-*
7 *graph (A) shall include—*

8 *(i) a list of the anchorage grounds de-*
9 *scribed under paragraph (2);*

10 *(ii) whether it is possible to move each*
11 *such anchorage ground to provide a min-*
12 *imum distance of 1 mile; and*

13 *(iii) a recommendation of whether to*
14 *move any such anchorage ground and ex-*
15 *planation for the recommendation.*

16 *(b) PROXIMITY TO PIPELINE ALERTS.—*

17 *(1) AUDIBLE AND VISUAL ALARMS.—The Com-*
18 *mandant shall consult with the providers of vessel*
19 *monitoring systems to add to the monitoring systems*
20 *for vessel traffic services audible and visual alarms*
21 *that alert the watchstander when an anchored vessel*
22 *is encroaching on a pipeline.*

23 *(2) NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES.—Not later than*
24 *1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the*
25 *Commandant shall develop procedures for all vessel*

1 *traffic services to notify pipeline and utility operators*
2 *following potential incursions on submerged pipelines*
3 *within the vessel traffic service area of responsibility.*

4 (3) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 1 year after the*
5 *date of enactment of this Act, and annually for the*
6 *subsequent 3 years, the Commandant shall submit to*
7 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*
8 *of the House of Representatives and the Committee on*
9 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate*
10 *a report on the implementation of paragraphs (1)*
11 *and (2).*

12 **SEC. 324. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ONBOARD VESSELS.**

13 *Section 70503(a) of title 46, United States Code, is*
14 *amended—*

15 (1) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by*
16 *striking “While on board a covered vessel, an” and*
17 *inserting “An”;*

18 (2) *by amending paragraph (1) to read as fol-*
19 *lows:*

20 “(1) *manufacture or distribute, possess with in-*
21 *tent to manufacture or distribute, or place or cause*
22 *to be placed with intent to manufacture or distribute*
23 *a controlled substance on board a covered vessel;”;*

24 (3) *in paragraph (2) by inserting “on board a*
25 *covered vessel” before the semicolon; and*

1 (4) in paragraph (3) by inserting “while on
2 board a covered vessel” after “such individual”.

3 **SEC. 325. CYBER-INCIDENT TRAINING.**

4 Section 70103(c) of title 46, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 “(9) The Secretary may conduct no-notice exercises in
7 Captain of the Port Zones (as described in part 3 of title
8 33, Code of Federal Regulations as in effect on the date of
9 enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025)
10 involving a facility or vessel required to maintain a secu-
11 rity plan under this subsection.”.

12 **SEC. 326. NAVIGATIONAL PROTOCOLS.**

13 The Commandant, in consultation with the Undersec-
14 retary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, shall ex-
15 amine the navigational protocols used for foreign allied na-
16 tions governing port and vessel operations in fog and low
17 visibility operations and how those nations utilize advanced
18 navigation technologies such as remote sensing, radar,
19 tracking, and unmanned aerial vehicles to monitor visi-
20 bility and manage port and vessels operations.

1 ***Subtitle D—Matters Involving***
2 ***Autonomous Systems***

3 ***SEC. 331. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL ADVISORY COM-***
4 ***MITTEE ON AUTONOMOUS MARITIME SYS-***
5 ***TEMS.***

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 151 of title 46, United
7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

8 ***“§15110. Establishment of National Advisory Com-***
9 ***mittee on Autonomous Maritime Systems***

10 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—There is established a Na-
11 tional Advisory Committee on Autonomous Maritime Sys-
12 tems (in this section referred to as the ‘Committee’).

13 “(b) *FUNCTION.*—The Committee shall advise the Sec-
14 retary on matters relating to the regulation and use of Au-
15 tonomous Systems within the territorial waters of the
16 United States.

17 “(c) *MEMBERSHIP.*—

18 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Committee shall consist
19 of 15 members appointed by the Secretary in accord-
20 ance with this section and section 15109.

21 “(2) *EXPERTISE.*—Each member of the Com-
22 mittee shall have particular expertise, knowledge, and
23 experience in matters relating to the function of the
24 Committee.

1 “(3) *REPRESENTATION.*—*Each of the following*
2 *groups shall be represented by at least 1 member on*
3 *the Committee:*

4 “(A) *Marine safety or security entities.*

5 “(B) *Vessel design and construction entities.*

6 “(C) *Entities engaged in the production or*
7 *research of uncrewed vehicles, including drones,*
8 *autonomous or semi-autonomous vehicles, or any*
9 *other product or service integral to the provision,*
10 *maintenance, or management of such products or*
11 *services.*

12 “(D) *Port districts, authorities, or terminal*
13 *operators.*

14 “(E) *Vessel operators.*

15 “(F) *National labor unions representing*
16 *merchant mariners.*

17 “(G) *Maritime pilots.*

18 “(H) *Commercial space transportation op-*
19 *erators.*

20 “(I) *Academic institutions.*

21 “(J) *National labor unions representing*
22 *longshore workers.”.*

23 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.*—*The analysis for chap-*
24 *ter 151 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by add-*
25 *ing at the end the following:*

“15110. Establishment of National Advisory Committee on Autonomous Maritime Systems.”.

1 (c) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—Not later than 90 days after the
2 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the depart-
3 ment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall establish
4 the Committee under section 15110 of title 46, United
5 States Code (as added by this section).

6 **SEC. 332. PILOT PROGRAM FOR GOVERNANCE AND OVER-**
7 **SIGHT OF SMALL UNCREWED MARITIME SYS-**
8 **TEMS.**

9 (a) *LIMITATION.*—Notwithstanding any other provi-
10 sion of law, for the period beginning on the date of enact-
11 ment of this Act and ending on the date that is 2 years
12 after such date of enactment, small uncrewed maritime sys-
13 tems owned, operated, or chartered by the National Oceanic
14 and Atmospheric Administration, or that are performing
15 specified oceanographic surveys on behalf of and pursuant
16 to a contract or other written agreement with the National
17 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, shall not be sub-
18 ject to any vessel inspection, design, operations, navigation
19 (except for chapter 551 of title 46, United States Code),
20 credentialing, or training requirement, law, or regulation,
21 that the Assistant Administrator of the Office of Marine and
22 Aviation Operations of the National Oceanic and Atmos-
23 pheric Administration determines will harm real-time oper-

1 *ational extreme weather oceanographic and atmospheric*
2 *data collection and predictions.*

3 (b) *OTHER AUTHORITY.*—*Nothing in this section shall*
4 *limit the authority of the Secretary of the department in*
5 *which the Coast Guard is operating, acting through the*
6 *Commandant, if there is an immediate safety or security*
7 *concern regarding small uncrewed maritime systems.*

8 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

9 (1) *SMALL UNCREWED MARITIME SYSTEMS.*—*The*
10 *term “small uncrewed maritime systems” means un-*
11 *manned maritime systems (as defined in section 2 of*
12 *the CENOTE Act of 2018 (33 U.S.C. 4101)), that—*

13 (A) *are not greater than 35 feet overall in*
14 *length;*

15 (B) *are operated remotely or autonomously;*

16 *and*

17 (C) *exclusively perform oceanographic sur-*
18 *veys or scientific research.*

19 (2) *UNCREWED SYSTEM.*—*The term “uncrewed*
20 *system”—*

21 (A) *means an uncrewed surface, undersea,*
22 *or aircraft system and associated elements (in-*
23 *cluding communication links and the compo-*
24 *nents that control the uncrewed system) that are*

1 *required for the operator to operate the system*
2 *safely and efficiently; and*

3 *(B) includes an unmanned aircraft system*
4 *(as such term is defined in section 44801 of title*
5 *49, United States Code).*

6 **SEC. 333. COAST GUARD TRAINING COURSE.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—For the period beginning on the*
8 *date of enactment of this Act and ending on the date that*
9 *is 3 years after such date of enactment, the Commandant,*
10 *or such other individual or organization as the Com-*
11 *mandant considers appropriate, shall develop a training*
12 *course on small uncrewed maritime systems and offer such*
13 *training course at least once each year for Coast Guard per-*
14 *sonnel working with or regulating small uncrewed mari-*
15 *time systems.*

16 *(b) COURSE SUBJECT MATTER.—The training course*
17 *developed under subsection (a) shall—*

18 *(1) provide an overview and introduction to*
19 *small uncrewed maritime systems, including examples*
20 *of those used by the Federal Government, in academic*
21 *settings, and in commercial sectors;*

22 *(2) address the benefits and disadvantages of use*
23 *of small uncrewed maritime systems;*

1 (3) *address safe navigation of small uncrewed*
2 *maritime systems, including measures to ensure colli-*
3 *sion avoidance;*

4 (4) *address the ability of small uncrewed mari-*
5 *time systems to communicate with and alert other*
6 *vessels in the vicinity;*

7 (5) *address the ability of small uncrewed mari-*
8 *time systems to respond to system alarms and failures*
9 *to ensure control commensurate with the risk posed by*
10 *the systems;*

11 (6) *provide present and future capabilities of*
12 *small uncrewed maritime systems; and*

13 (7) *provide an overview of the role of the Inter-*
14 *national Maritime Organization in the governance of*
15 *small uncrewed maritime systems.*

16 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

17 (1) *SMALL UNCREWED MARITIME SYSTEMS.—The*
18 *term “small uncrewed maritime systems” means un-*
19 *manned maritime systems (as defined in section 2 of*
20 *the CENOTE Act of 2018 (33 U.S.C. 4101)), that—*

21 (A) *are not greater than 35 feet overall in*
22 *length;*

23 (B) *are operated remotely or autonomously;*

24 *and*

1 (C) *exclusively perform oceanographic sur-*
2 *veys or scientific research.*

3 (2) *UNCREWED SYSTEM.*—*The term “uncrewed*
4 *system”*—

5 (A) *means an uncrewed surface, undersea,*
6 *or aircraft system and associated elements (in-*
7 *cluding communication links and the compo-*
8 *nents that control the uncrewed system) that are*
9 *required for the operator to operate the system*
10 *safely and efficiently; and*

11 (B) *includes an unmanned aircraft system*
12 *(as such term is defined in section 44801 of title*
13 *49, United States Code).*

14 **SEC. 334. NOAA MEMBERSHIP ON AUTONOMOUS VESSEL**
15 **POLICY COUNCIL.**

16 *Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of*
17 *this Act, the Commandant, with the concurrence of the As-*
18 *sistant Administrator of the Office of Marine and Aviation*
19 *Operations of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-*
20 *ministration, shall establish the permanent membership of*
21 *a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration em-*
22 *ployee to the Automated and Autonomous Vessel Policy*
23 *Council of the Coast Guard.*

1 **SEC. 335. TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM.**

2 *Section 319(b)(1) of title 14, United States Code, is*
3 *amended by striking “2 or more” and inserting “up to 4”.*

4 **SEC. 336. UNCREWED SYSTEMS CAPABILITIES REPORT.**

5 *(a) IN GENERAL.—*

6 *(1) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the*
7 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall*
8 *submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-*
9 *frastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
10 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
11 *tation of the Senate a report that outlines a plan for*
12 *establishing an uncrewed systems capabilities office*
13 *within the Coast Guard responsible for the acquisition*
14 *and development of uncrewed system and counter-*
15 *uncrewed system technologies and to expand the capa-*
16 *bilities of the Coast Guard with respect to such tech-*
17 *nologies.*

18 *(2) CONTENTS.—The report required under*
19 *paragraph (1) shall include the following:*

20 *(A) A management strategy for the acquisi-*
21 *tion, development, and deployment of uncrewed*
22 *system and counter-uncrewed system tech-*
23 *nologies.*

24 *(B) A service-wide coordination strategy to*
25 *synchronize and integrate efforts across the Coast*
26 *Guard in order to—*

1 (i) support the primary duties of the
2 Coast Guard pursuant to section 102 of title
3 14, United States Code; and

4 (ii) pursue expanded research, develop-
5 ment, testing, and evaluation opportunities
6 and funding to expand and accelerate iden-
7 tification and transition of uncrewed sys-
8 tem and counter-uncrewed system tech-
9 nologies.

10 (C) The identification of contracting and
11 acquisition authorities needed to expedite the de-
12 velopment and deployment of uncrewed system
13 and counter-uncrewed system technologies.

14 (D) A detailed list of commercially avail-
15 able uncrewed system and counter-uncrewed sys-
16 tem technologies with capabilities determined to
17 be useful for the Coast Guard.

18 (E) A cross-agency collaboration plan to en-
19 gage with the Department of Defense and other
20 relevant agencies to identify common require-
21 ments and opportunities to partner in acquiring,
22 contracting, and sustaining uncrewed system
23 and counter-uncrewed system capabilities.

24 (F) Opportunities to obtain and share
25 uncrewed system data from government and

1 *commercial sources to improve maritime domain*
2 *awareness.*

3 *(G) The development of a concept of oper-*
4 *ations for a data system that supports and inte-*
5 *grates uncrewed system and counter-uncrewed*
6 *system technologies with key enablers, including*
7 *enterprise communications networks, data stor-*
8 *age and management, artificial intelligence and*
9 *machine learning tools, and information sharing*
10 *and dissemination capabilities.*

11 **(b) DEFINITIONS.—***In this section:*

12 **(1) COUNTER-UNCREWED SYSTEM.—***The term*
13 *“counter-uncrewed system”—*

14 *(A) means a system or device capable of*
15 *lawfully and safely disabling, disrupting, or seiz-*
16 *ing control of an uncrewed system; and*

17 *(B) includes a counter-UAS system (as such*
18 *term is defined in section 44801 of title 49,*
19 *United States Code).*

20 **(2) UNCREWED SYSTEM.—***The term “uncrewed*
21 *system”—*

22 *(A) means an uncrewed surface, undersea,*
23 *or aircraft system and associated elements (in-*
24 *cluding communication links and the compo-*
25 *nents that control the uncrewed system) that are*

1 *required for the operator to operate the system*
2 *safely and efficiently; and*

3 *(B) includes an unmanned aircraft system*
4 *(as such term is defined in section 44801 of title*
5 *49, United States Code).*

6 **SEC. 337. MEDIUM UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS CAPA-**
7 **BILITIES STUDY.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
9 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall con-*
10 *duct a study to determine the feasibility of expanding the*
11 *National Security Cutter’s medium unmanned aircraft sys-*
12 *tem capabilities to Medium Endurance Cutters and Off-*
13 *shore Patrol Cutters.*

14 *(b) REPORT.—*

15 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after*
16 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
17 *shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and*
18 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the*
19 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
20 *tation of the Senate a written report that contains the*
21 *results of the study conducted under subsection (a).*

22 *(2) CONTENTS.—In submitting the study under*
23 *paragraph (1), the Commandant shall determine—*

1 (A) the feasibility of equipping Offshore Pa-
 2 trol Cutters and Medium Endurance Cutters
 3 with medium unmanned aircraft systems;

4 (B) the missions capabilities that would be
 5 strengthen by the use of such systems; and

6 (V) projected procurement and operational
 7 costs for acquiring such systems.

8 **SEC. 338. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT ON COAST**
 9 **GUARD ACQUISITION AND DEPLOYMENT OF**
 10 **UNMANNED SYSTEMS.**

11 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 18 months after the
 12 date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of
 13 the United States shall submit to the Committee on Trans-
 14 portation and Infrastructure of the House and the Com-
 15 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the Senate
 16 the first of multiple reports of the use and acquisition of
 17 the Coast Guard of unmanned systems, with subsequent re-
 18 ports submitted after the first report.

19 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The reports required by subsection
 20 (a) shall include the following:

21 (1) *An inventory of the current unmanned sys-*
 22 *tems of the Coast Guard, including the missions and*
 23 *assets on which such systems are deployed.*

1 (2) *Cost, schedule, and performance status of the*
2 *unmanned system acquisition programs of the Coast*
3 *Guard.*

4 (3) *The extent to which the Coast Guard has as-*
5 *essed how the use of such systems support the pri-*
6 *mary duties of the Coast Guard pursuant to section*
7 *102 of title 14, United States Code.*

8 (4) *An evaluation of the acquisition strategy of*
9 *the Coast Guard for unmanned systems, including the*
10 *extent to which the Coast Guard has evaluated the*
11 *benefits and costs of acquiring—*

12 (A) *commercially available systems; and*

13 (B) *autonomous capabilities.*

14 (5) *An evaluation of the progress of the Coast*
15 *Guard in establishing an unmanned systems capabili-*
16 *ties office responsible for the acquisition and develop-*
17 *ment of unmanned system technologies, and the effec-*
18 *tiveness of such office, including the ability to—*

19 (A) *support the acquisition, development,*
20 *leasing, and deployment of unmanned systems*
21 *technologies, including autonomous capabilities;*

22 (B) *execute a service-wide coordination*
23 *strategy to synchronize and integrate efforts*
24 *across the Coast Guard;*

1 (C) pursue expanded research, development,
2 experimentation, testing, and evaluation oppor-
3 tunities and funding to expand and accelerate
4 identification and transition of unmanned sys-
5 tem technologies; and

6 (D) execute cross-agency collaboration to en-
7 gage with the Department of Homeland Security,
8 the Department of Defense, and other relevant
9 agencies to identify common requirements and
10 opportunities to partner in acquiring, con-
11 tracting, and sustaining unmanned system capa-
12 bilities.

13 (6) Recommendations to improve the ability of
14 the Coast Guard to evaluate, acquire, and deploy un-
15 manned systems technologies.

16 (c) CONSULTATION.—In developing the report required
17 under subsection (a), the Comptroller General may consult
18 with—

19 (1) the maritime and aviation industries;

20 (2) Federal Government agencies familiar with
21 the use and deployment of unmanned systems; and

22 (3) any relevant—

23 (A) federally funded research institutions;

24 (B) nongovernmental organizations; and

25 (C) manufactures of unmanned systems.

1 **SEC. 339. NATIONAL ACADEMIES OF SCIENCES REPORT ON**
2 **UNMANNED SYSTEMS AND USE OF DATA.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 60 days after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall seek
5 to enter into an arrangement with the National Academy
6 of Sciences under which the Academy shall prepare an as-
7 sessment of available unmanned, autonomous, or remotely-
8 controlled maritime domain awareness technologies for use
9 by the Coast Guard.

10 (b) *ASSESSMENT.*—In carrying out the assessment
11 under subsection (a), the National Academy of Sciences
12 shall—

13 (1) *describe the potential benefits and limitations*
14 *of current and emerging unmanned, autonomous, or*
15 *remotely controlled systems used in the maritime do-*
16 *main for—*

17 (A) *ocean observation;*

18 (B) *vessel monitoring and identification;*

19 (C) *weather observation;*

20 (D) *search and rescue operations;*

21 (E) *to the extent practicable for consider-*
22 *ation by the Academy, intelligence gathering,*
23 *surveillance, and reconnaissance; and*

24 (F) *communications;*

1 (2) *assess how technologies described in para-*
2 *graph (1) can help prioritize Federal investment by*
3 *examining—*

4 (A) *affordability, including acquisition, op-*
5 *erations, maintenance and lifecycle costs;*

6 (B) *reliability;*

7 (C) *versatility;*

8 (D) *efficiency; and*

9 (E) *estimated service life and persistence of*
10 *effort;*

11 (3) *analyze whether the use of new and emerging*
12 *maritime domain awareness technologies can be used*
13 *to—*

14 (A) *effectively carry out Coast Guard mis-*
15 *sions at lower costs and reduced manpower*
16 *needs;*

17 (B) *expand the scope and range of Coast*
18 *Guard maritime domain awareness; and*

19 (C) *allow the Coast Guard to more effi-*
20 *ciently and effectively allocate Coast Guard ves-*
21 *sels, aircraft, and personnel;*

22 (4) *evaluate the extent to which such systems*
23 *have moved from the research and development phase*
24 *to effective operations since the National Academy of*
25 *Sciences published the study titled “Leveraging Un-*

1 *manned Systems for Coast Guard Missions” and*
2 *issued in 2020; and*

3 *(5) identify adjustments that would be necessary*
4 *in Coast Guard authorities, policies, procedures, and*
5 *protocols to incorporate unmanned technologies to en-*
6 *hance efficiency.*

7 *(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year*
8 *after entering into an arrangement under subsection (a),*
9 *the National Academy of Sciences shall submit to the Com-*
10 *mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House*
11 *of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce,*
12 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate the assessment*
13 *prepared under this section.*

14 *(d) USE OF INFORMATION.—In formulating costs pur-*
15 *suant to subsection (b), the National Academy of Sciences*
16 *may utilize information from other Coast Guard reports,*
17 *assessments, or analyses regarding existing Coast Guard*
18 *manpower requirements or other reports, assessments, or*
19 *analyses for the acquisition of unmanned, autonomous, or*
20 *remotely-controlled technologies by the Federal Government.*

21 **SEC. 340. UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**

22 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter IV of chapter 5 of title*
23 *14, United States Code, is further amended by adding at*
24 *the end the following:*

1 **“§ 566. Use of unmanned aircraft systems**

2 *“With respect to any unmanned aircraft system pro-*
 3 *cured by the Coast Guard, the Commandant shall ensure*
 4 *that such system be used to support the primary duties of*
 5 *the Coast Guard pursuant to section 102.”.*

6 **(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—*The analysis for chapter*
 7 *5 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding*
 8 *at the end the following:*

“566. Use of unmanned aircraft systems.”.

9 ***Subtitle E—Other Matters***

10 **SEC. 341. INFORMATION ON TYPE APPROVAL CERTIFI-**
 11 **CATES.**

12 **(a) IN GENERAL.**—*Title IX of the Frank LoBiondo*
 13 *Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–*
 14 *282) is amended by adding at the end the following:*

15 **“SEC. 904. INFORMATION ON TYPE APPROVAL CERTIFI-**
 16 **CATES.**

17 *“Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the Commandant*
 18 *of the Coast Guard shall, upon request by any State, the*
 19 *District of Columbia, any Indian Tribe, or any territory*
 20 *of the United States, provide all data possessed by the Coast*
 21 *Guard for a ballast water management system with a type*
 22 *approval certificate approved by the Coast Guard pursuant*
 23 *to subpart 162.060 of title 46, Code of Federal Regulations,*
 24 *as in effect on the date of enactment of the Coast Guard*
 25 *Authorization Act of 2025 pertaining to—*

1 “(1) challenge water (as defined in section
2 162.060–3 of title 46, Code of Federal Regulations, as
3 in effect on the date of enactment of the Coast Guard
4 Authorization Act of 2025) quality characteristics;

5 “(2) post-treatment water quality characteristics;

6 “(3) challenge water (as defined in section
7 162.060–3 of title 46, Code of Federal Regulations, as
8 in effect on the date of enactment of the Coast Guard
9 Authorization Act of 2025) biologic organism con-
10 centrations data; and

11 “(4) post-treatment water biologic organism con-
12 centrations data.”.

13 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The table of contents for*
14 *the Frank LoBiondo Coast Guard Authorization Act of*
15 *2018 (Public Law 115–282) is amended by inserting after*
16 *the item relating to section 903 the following:*

“Sec. 904. Information on type approval certificates.”.

17 **SEC. 342. CLARIFICATION OF AUTHORITIES.**

18 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Section 5(a) of the Deepwater Port*
19 *Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1504(a)) is amended by striking*
20 *the first sentence and inserting “Notwithstanding section*
21 *888(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.*
22 *468(b)), the Secretary shall have the authority to issue regu-*
23 *lations to carry out the purposes and provisions of this Act,*
24 *in accordance with the provisions of section 553 of title 5,*

1 *United States Code, without regard to subsection (a) there-*
 2 *of.”.*

3 **(b) NEPA COMPLIANCE.**—*Section 5 of the Deepwater*
 4 *Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1504) is amended by striking*
 5 *subsection (f) and inserting the following:*

6 **“(f) NEPA COMPLIANCE.**—

7 **“(1) DEFINITION OF LEAD AGENCY.**—*In this sub-*
 8 *section, the term ‘lead agency’ has the meaning given*
 9 *the term in section 111 of the National Environ-*
 10 *mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4336e).*

11 **“(2) LEAD AGENCY.**—

12 **“(A) IN GENERAL.**—*For all applications,*
 13 *the Maritime Administration shall be the Fed-*
 14 *eral lead agency for purposes of the National*
 15 *Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.*
 16 *4321 et seq.).*

17 **“(B) EFFECT OF COMPLIANCE.**—*Compli-*
 18 *ance with the National Environmental Policy*
 19 *Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) in accord-*
 20 *ance with subparagraph (A) shall fulfill the re-*
 21 *quirement of the Federal lead agency in carrying*
 22 *out the responsibilities under the National Envi-*
 23 *ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et*
 24 *seq.) pursuant to this Act.”.*

25 **(c) REGULATIONS.**—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 18 months
2 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
3 mandant shall transfer the authorities provided to the
4 Coast Guard in part 148 of title 33, Code of Federal
5 Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of
6 this Act), except as provided in paragraph (2), to the
7 Secretary of Transportation.

8 (2) *RETENTION OF AUTHORITY.*—The Com-
9 mandant shall retain responsibility for authorities
10 pertaining to design, construction, equipment, and
11 operation of deepwater ports and navigational safety.

12 (3) *UPDATES TO AUTHORITY.*—As soon as prac-
13 ticable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
14 retary of Transportation shall issue such regulations
15 as are necessary to reflect the updates to authorities
16 prescribed by this subsection.

17 (d) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this sec-
18 tion, or the amendments made by this section, may be con-
19 strued to limit the authorities of other governmental agen-
20 cies previously delegated authorities of the Deepwater Port
21 Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) or any other law.

22 (e) *APPLICATIONS.*—Nothing in this section, or the
23 amendments made by this section, shall apply to any appli-
24 cation submitted before the date of enactment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 343. AMENDMENTS TO PASSENGER VESSEL SECURITY**
2 **AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS.**

3 (a) *MAINTENANCE OF SUPPLIES THAT PREVENT SEX-*
4 *UALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES.*—Section 3507(d)(1) of
5 title 46, United States Code, is amended by inserting “(tak-
6 ing into consideration the length of the voyage and the num-
7 ber of passengers and crewmembers that the vessel can ac-
8 commodate)” after “a sexual assault”.

9 (b) *CREW ACCESS TO PASSENGER STATEROOMS; PRO-*
10 *CEDURES AND RESTRICTIONS.*—Section 3507(f) of title 46,
11 United States Code, is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (1)—

13 (A) in subparagraph (A) by striking “and”
14 at the end; and

15 (B) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the
16 following:

17 “(C) a system that electronically records the
18 date, time, and identity of each crew member ac-
19 cessing each passenger stateroom; and”; and

20 (2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the
21 following:

22 “(2) ensure that the procedures and restrictions
23 are—

24 “(A) fully and properly implemented;

25 “(B) reviewed annually; and

26 “(C) updated as necessary.”.

1 **SEC. 344. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH A**
 2 **CETACEAN DESK FOR PUGET SOUND REGION.**

3 *Section 11304(a)(2)(A)(i) of the Don Young Coast*
 4 *Guard Authorization Act of 2022 (16 U.S.C. 1390 note) is*
 5 *amended by striking “4 years” and inserting “6 years”.*

6 **SEC. 345. SUSPENSION OF ENFORCEMENT OF USE OF DE-**
 7 **VICES BROADCASTING ON AIS FOR PURPOSES**
 8 **OF MARKING FISHING GEAR.**

9 *Section 11320 of the Don Young Coast Guard Author-*
 10 *ization Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 4092)*
 11 *is amended by striking “during the period” and all that*
 12 *follows through the period at the end and inserting “until*
 13 *December 31, 2029.”.*

14 **SEC. 346. CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES.**

15 *Section 3316(d) of title 46, United States Code, is*
 16 *amended—*

17 *(1) by amending paragraph (2)(B)(i) to read as*
 18 *follows:*

19 *“(i) the government of the foreign country in*
 20 *which the foreign society is headquartered—*

21 *“(I) delegates that authority to the Amer-*
 22 *ican Bureau of Shipping; or*

23 *“(II) does not delegate that authority to any*
 24 *classification society; or”;* and

25 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

1 “(5) *CLARIFICATION ON AUTHORITY.*—*Nothing*
 2 *in this subsection authorizes the Secretary to make a*
 3 *delegation under paragraph (2) to a classification so-*
 4 *cietty from the People’s Republic of China.”.*

5 **SEC. 347. ABANDONED AND DERELICT VESSEL REMOVALS.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 47 of title 46, United
 7 *States Code, is amended—*

8 (1) *in the chapter heading by striking*
 9 **“BARGES”** *and inserting “VESSELS”;*

10 (2) *by inserting before section 4701 the following:*

11 **“SUBCHAPTER I—BARGES”;** *and*

12 (3) *by adding at the end the following:*

13 **“SUBCHAPTER II—NON-BARGE VESSELS**

14 **“§ 4710. Definitions**

15 *“In this subchapter:*

16 “(1) *ABANDON.*—*The term ‘abandon’ means to*
 17 *moor, strand, wreck, sink, or leave a covered vessel*
 18 *unattended for longer than 45 days.*

19 “(2) *COVERED VESSEL.*—*The term ‘covered ves-*
 20 *sel’ means a vessel that is not a barge to which sub-*
 21 *chapter I applies.*

22 “(3) *INDIAN TRIBE.*—*The term ‘Indian Tribe’*
 23 *has the meaning given such term in section 4 of the*
 24 *Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance*
 25 *Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).*

1 “(4) *NATIVE HAWAIIAN ORGANIZATION.*—*The*
 2 *term ‘Native Hawaiian organization’ has the mean-*
 3 *ing given such term in section 6207 of the Elemen-*
 4 *tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*
 5 *U.S.C. 7517) except the term includes the Department*
 6 *of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Office of Hawai-*
 7 *ian Affairs.*

8 **“§ 4711. Abandonment of vessels prohibited**

9 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*An owner or operator of a covered*
 10 *vessel may not abandon such vessel on the navigable waters*
 11 *of the United States.*

12 “(b) *DETERMINATION OF ABANDONMENT.*—

13 “(1) *NOTIFICATION.*—

14 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*With respect to a cov-*
 15 *ered vessel that appears to be abandoned, the*
 16 *Commandant of the Coast Guard shall—*

17 “(i) *attempt to identify the owner*
 18 *using the vessel registration number, hull*
 19 *identification number, or any other infor-*
 20 *mation that can be reasonably inferred or*
 21 *gathered; and*

22 “(ii) *notify such owner—*

23 “(I) *of the penalty described in*
 24 *subsection (c); and*

1 “(II) that the vessel will be re-
2 moved at the expense of the owner if
3 the Commandant determines that the
4 vessel is abandoned and the owner does
5 not remove or account for the vessel.

6 “(B) FORM.—The Commandant shall pro-
7 vide the notice required under subparagraph
8 (A)—

9 “(i) if the owner can be identified, via
10 certified mail or other appropriate forms
11 determined by the Commandant; or

12 “(ii) if the owner cannot be identified,
13 via an announcement in a local publication
14 and on a website maintained by the Coast
15 Guard.

16 “(2) DETERMINATION.—The Commandant shall
17 make a determination not earlier than 45 days after
18 the date on which the Commandant provides the noti-
19 fication required under paragraph (1) of whether a
20 covered vessel described in such paragraph is aban-
21 doned.

22 “(c) PENALTY.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant may as-
24 sess a civil penalty of not more than \$500 against an
25 owner or operator of a covered vessel determined to be

1 *abandoned under subsection (b) for a violation of sub-*
2 *section (a).*

3 “(2) *LIABILITY IN REM.*—*The owner or operator*
4 *of a covered vessel shall also be liable in rem for a*
5 *penalty imposed under paragraph (1).*

6 “(3) *LIMITATION.*—*The Commandant shall not*
7 *assess a penalty if the Commandant determines the*
8 *vessel was abandoned due to major extenuating cir-*
9 *cumstances of the owner or operator of the vessel, in-*
10 *cluding long term medical incapacitation of the*
11 *owner or operator.*

12 “(d) *VESSELS NOT ABANDONED.*—*The Commandant*
13 *may not determine that a covered vessel is abandoned under*
14 *this section if—*

15 “(1) *such vessel is located at a federally ap-*
16 *proved or State approved mooring area;*

17 “(2) *such vessel is located on private property*
18 *with the permission of the owner of such property;*

19 “(3) *the owner or operator of such vessel provides*
20 *a notification to the Commandant that—*

21 “(A) *indicates the location of the vessel;*

22 “(B) *indicates that the vessel is not aban-*
23 *doned; and*

24 “(C) *contains documentation proving that*
25 *the vessel is allowed to be in such location; or*

1 “(4) the Commandant determines that such an
2 abandonment determination would not be in the pub-
3 lic interest.

4 **“§4712. Inventory of abandoned vessels**

5 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year after the
6 date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of
7 2025, the Commandant, in consultation with the Adminis-
8 trator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis-
9 tration and relevant State agencies, shall establish and
10 maintain a national inventory of covered vessels that are
11 abandoned.

12 “(b) *CONTENTS.*—The inventory established and main-
13 tained under subsection (a) shall include data on each ves-
14 sel, including geographic information system data related
15 to the location of each such vessel.

16 “(c) *PUBLICATION.*—The Commandant shall make the
17 inventory established under subsection (a) publicly avail-
18 able on a website of the Coast Guard.

19 “(d) *REPORTING OF POTENTIALLY ABANDONED VES-*
20 *SELS.*—In carrying out this section, the Commandant shall
21 develop a process by which—

22 “(1) a State, Indian Tribe, Native Hawaiian or-
23 ganization, or person may report a covered vessel that
24 may be abandoned to the Commandant for potential

1 *inclusion in the inventory established under sub-*
2 *section (a);*

3 “(2) the Commandant shall review any such re-
4 *port and add such vessel to the inventory if the Com-*
5 *mandant determines that the reported vessel is aban-*
6 *doned pursuant to section 4711.*

7 “(e) CLARIFICATION.—*Except in a response action*
8 *carried out under section 311(j) of the Federal Water Pollu-*
9 *tion Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321) or in the case of immi-*
10 *nent threat to life and safety, the Commandant shall not*
11 *be responsible for removing any covered vessels listed on the*
12 *inventory established and maintained under subsection*
13 *(a).”.*

14 (b) RULEMAKING.—*The Secretary of the department*
15 *in which the Coast Guard is operating, in consultation with*
16 *the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engi-*
17 *neers, and the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the*
18 *Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, shall issue*
19 *regulations with respect to the procedures for determining*
20 *that a vessel is abandoned for the purposes of subchapter*
21 *II of chapter 47 of title 46, United States Code (as added*
22 *by this section).*

23 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*Chapter 47 of title*
24 *46, United States Code, is amended—*

25 (1) *in section 4701—*

1 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)
 2 by striking “chapter” and inserting “sub-
 3 chapter”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (2) by striking “chapter”
 5 and inserting “subchapter”;

6 (2) in section 4703 by striking “chapter” and
 7 inserting “subchapter”;

8 (3) in section 4704 by striking “chapter” each
 9 place it appears and inserting “subchapter”; and

10 (4) in section 4705 by striking “chapter” and
 11 inserting “subchapter”.

12 (d) *CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.*—*The analysis for chap-*
 13 *ter 47 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—*

14 (1) by inserting before the item relating to sec-
 15 tion 4701 the following:

“SUBCHAPTER I—BARGES”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following:

“SUBCHAPTER II—NON-BARGE VESSELS

“4710. Definitions.

“4711. Abandonment of vessels prohibited.

“4712. Inventory of abandoned vessels.”.

17 **SEC. 348. REPORT ON CERTAIN COAST GUARD REQUIRE-**
 18 **MENTS.**

19 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 180 days after the*
 20 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall pre-*
 21 *pare and submit to the Committee on Transportation and*
 22 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-*

1 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
2 *Senate a report that provides legislative and regulatory rec-*
3 *ommendations to ensure the safe operation of vessels.*

4 *(b) CONTENTS.—The report under subsection (a) shall*
5 *include recommendations—*

6 *(1) to ensure that if cases of harassment required*
7 *to be reported under section 10104 of title 46, United*
8 *States Code, are not the result of the policies and pro-*
9 *cedures of the responsible entity of a vessel, the Com-*
10 *mandant shall not take administrative action against*
11 *the responsible entity of a vessel as a result of the re-*
12 *porting of such cases;*

13 *(2) to ensure that the Coast Guard’s deliberative*
14 *process for determining whether or not acts are har-*
15 *assment does not prevent the responsible entity of a*
16 *vessel from immediately acting after learning of a po-*
17 *tential incident of harassment; and*

18 *(3) to clarify for mariners and the responsible*
19 *entity of a vessel the types of behaviors that shall be*
20 *reported to the Coast Guard.*

21 **SEC. 349. OFFSHORE OPERATIONS.**

22 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3702(b) of title 46, United*
23 *States Code, is amended—*

24 *(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by*
25 *striking “offshore drilling or production facilities in*

1 *the oil industry” and inserting “exploration, develop-*
2 *ment, or production of offshore drilling or production*
3 *facilities in the oil industry and non-mineral energy*
4 *production”;* and

5 *(2) in paragraph (2) by striking “oil exploi-*
6 *tation” and inserting “exploration, development, or*
7 *production of offshore energy resources”.*

8 ***(b) OIL FUEL TANK PROTECTION.—***

9 ***(1) IN GENERAL.—****Notwithstanding any other*
10 *provision of law and not later than 60 days after the*
11 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall*
12 *amend section 125.115(b) of title 46, Code of Federal*
13 *Regulations (as in effect on such date of enactment),*
14 *to reflect the amendment made in subsection (a).*

15 ***(2) APPLICATION.—****If the Commandant fails to*
16 *amend the section described in paragraph (1) by the*
17 *date that is 60 days after the date of enactment of*
18 *this Act, then, in lieu of the application of such sec-*
19 *tion, the Secretary shall allow vessels to which section*
20 *3702 of title 46, United States Code, applies to trans-*
21 *fer fuel from the fuel supply tanks of such vessel to*
22 *offshore facilities in support of exploration, develop-*
23 *ment, or production of offshore energy resources.*

24 ***(c) OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF ACTIVITIES.—***

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 60 days after
2 the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant
3 shall amend section G6.3.a of the United States Coast
4 Guard Marine Safety Manual, Volume II titled “Ma-
5 teriel Inspection: Outer Continental Shelf Activities”,
6 issued September 20, 2021 (COMDTINST
7 M16000.76) (as in effect on such date of enactment),
8 to reflect the amendment made in subsection (a).

9 (2) *APPLICATION.*—If the Commandant fails to
10 amend the section described in paragraph (1) by the
11 date that is 60 days after the date of enactment of
12 this Act, then the Secretary shall in lieu of such sec-
13 tion not apply section 3702 of title 46, United States
14 Code, to a documented vessel transferring fuel from
15 the fuel supply tanks of such vessel to an offshore fa-
16 cility if such vessel is not a tanker and is in the serv-
17 ice of exploration, development, or production of off-
18 shore energy resources.

19 **SEC. 350. ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.**

20 Section 9(b) of the Marine Debris Act (33 U.S.C. 1958)
21 is amended by striking “, of which not more than 5 percent
22 is authorized for each fiscal year for administrative costs”.

1 **SEC. 351. BRIEFING ON DEPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL PURPOSE**
 2 **CRAFT – HEAVY WEATHER SECOND GENERA-**
 3 **TION (SPC-HWX II) VESSELS IN PACIFIC**
 4 **NORTHWEST.**

5 *Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment*
 6 *of this Act, the Commandant shall provide to the Committee*
 7 *on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate*
 8 *and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*
 9 *of the House of Representatives a briefing on—*

10 *(1) the status of the acquisition and procurement*
 11 *of second-generation Special Purpose Craft – Heavy*
 12 *Weather (SPC–HWX II) vessels;*

13 *(2) the timeline for the deployment of such ves-*
 14 *sels to stations in the Pacific Northwest previously*
 15 *served by the first-generation Special Purpose Craft –*
 16 *Heavy Weather vessels; and*

17 *(3) any outstanding barriers to the timeliness of*
 18 *such deployment.*

19 **TITLE IV—OIL POLLUTION**
 20 **RESPONSE**

21 **SEC. 401. VESSEL RESPONSE PLANS.**

22 *(a) SALVAGE AND MARINE FIREFIGHTING RESPONSE*
 23 *CAPABILITY.—Section 311(j) of the Federal Water Pollution*
 24 *Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321(j)) is amended by adding at*
 25 *the end the following:*

1 “(10) *SALVAGE AND MARINE FIREFIGHTING RE-*
2 *SPONSE CAPABILITY.*—

3 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The President, acting*
4 *through the Secretary of the department in*
5 *which the Coast Guard is operating unless other-*
6 *wise delegated by the President, may require—*

7 “(i) *periodic inspection of vessels and*
8 *salvage equipment, firefighting equipment,*
9 *and other major marine casualty response*
10 *equipment on or associated with vessels;*

11 “(ii) *periodic verification of capabili-*
12 *ties to appropriately, and in a timely man-*
13 *ner, respond to a marine casualty, includ-*
14 *ing—*

15 “(I) *drills, with or without prior*
16 *notice;*

17 “(II) *review of contracts and rel-*
18 *evant third-party agreements;*

19 “(III) *testing of equipment;*

20 “(IV) *review of training; and*

21 “(V) *other evaluations of marine*
22 *casualty response capabilities, as deter-*
23 *mined appropriate by the President;*
24 *and*

1 “(iii) *carrying of appropriate response*
2 *equipment for responding to a marine cas-*
3 *ualty that employs the best technology eco-*
4 *nomically feasible and that is compatible*
5 *with the safe operation of the vessel.*

6 “(B) *DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph:*

7 “(i) *MARINE CASUALTY.—The term*
8 *‘marine casualty’ means a marine casualty*
9 *that is required to be reported pursuant to*
10 *paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of section 6101 of*
11 *title 46, United States Code.*

12 “(ii) *SALVAGE EQUIPMENT.—The term*
13 *‘salvage equipment’ means any equipment*
14 *that is capable of being used to assist a ves-*
15 *sel in potential or actual danger in order to*
16 *prevent loss of life, damage or destruction of*
17 *the vessel or its cargo, or release of its con-*
18 *tents into the marine environment.”.*

19 (b) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.—*

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days after*
21 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller*
22 *General of the United States shall submit to the Com-*
23 *mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
24 *House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-*

1 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a*
2 *report on—*

3 *(A) the state of marine firefighting authori-*
4 *ties, jurisdiction, and plan review; and*

5 *(B) other considerations with respect to*
6 *fires at waterfront facilities (including vessel*
7 *fires) and vessel fires on the navigable waters (as*
8 *such term is defined in section 502 of the Federal*
9 *Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1362)).*

10 *(2) CONTENTS.—In carrying out paragraph (1),*
11 *the Comptroller General shall—*

12 *(A) examine—*

13 *(i) collaboration among Federal and*
14 *non-Federal entities for purposes of reduc-*
15 *ing the risks to local communities of fires*
16 *described in paragraph (1);*

17 *(ii) the prevalence and frequency of*
18 *such fires; and*

19 *(iii) the extent to which firefighters*
20 *and marine firefighters are aware of the*
21 *dangers of lithium-ion battery fires, includ-*
22 *ing lithium-ion batteries used for vehicles,*
23 *and how to respond to such fires;*

1 (B) review methods of documenting and
 2 sharing best practices throughout the maritime
 3 community for responding to vessel fires; and

4 (C) make recommendations for—

5 (i) preparing for, responding to, and
 6 training for such fires;

7 (ii) clarifying roles and responsibilities
 8 of Federal and non-Federal entities in pre-
 9 paring for, responding to, and training for
 10 such fires; and

11 (iii) other topics for consideration.

12 **SEC. 402. USE OF MARINE CASUALTY INVESTIGATIONS.**

13 Section 6308 of title 46, United States Code, is amend-
 14 ed—

15 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “initiated” and
 16 inserting “conducted”; and

17 (2) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(e) For purposes of this section, an administrative
 19 proceeding conducted by the United States includes pro-
 20 ceedings under section 7701 and claims adjudicated under
 21 section 1013 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C.
 22 2713).”.

23 **SEC. 403. TIMING OF REVIEW.**

24 Section 1017 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33
 25 U.S.C. 2717) is amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “(g) *TIMING OF REVIEW.*—Before the date of comple-
 2 tion of a removal action, no person may bring an action
 3 under this Act, section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution
 4 Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321), or chapter 7 of title 5, United
 5 States Code, challenging any decision relating to such re-
 6 moval action that is made by an on-scene coordinator ap-
 7 pointed under the National Contingency Plan.”.

8 **SEC. 404. ONLINE INCIDENT REPORTING SYSTEM.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year after the date
 10 of enactment of this Act, the National Response Center shall
 11 submit to Congress a plan to design, fund, and staff the
 12 National Response Center to develop and maintain a web-
 13 based application by which the National Response Center
 14 may receive notifications of oil discharges or releases of haz-
 15 ardous substances.

16 (b) *DEVELOPMENT OF APPLICATION.*—Not later than
 17 2 years after the date on which the plan is submitted under
 18 subsection (a), the National Response Center shall—

19 (1) complete development of the application de-
 20 scribed in such subsection; and

21 (2) allow notifications described in such sub-
 22 section that are required under Federal law or regula-
 23 tion to be made online using such application.

24 (c) *USE OF APPLICATION.*—In carrying out subsection
 25 (b), the National Response Center may not require the noti-

1 *fication of an oil discharge or release of a hazardous sub-*
 2 *stance to be made using the application developed under*
 3 *such subsection.*

4 **SEC. 405. INVESTMENT OF EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL**
 5 **COURT RECOVERY IN HIGH YIELD INVEST-**
 6 **MENTS AND MARINE RESEARCH.**

7 *Section 350 of Public Law 106–113 (43 U.S.C. 1474b*
 8 *note) is amended—*

9 *(1) by striking paragraph (5);*

10 *(2) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), (4),*
 11 *(6), and (7) as subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g),*
 12 *respectively, and indenting the subsections appro-*
 13 *priately;*

14 *(3) in paragraph (1)—*

15 *(A) by striking “(1) Notwithstanding any*
 16 *other provision of law and subject to the provi-*
 17 *sions of paragraphs (5) and (7)” and inserting*
 18 *the following:*

19 *“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

20 *“(1) CONSENT DECREE.—The term ‘Consent De-*
 21 *cree’ means the consent decree issued in United States*
 22 *v. Exxon Corporation, et al. (No. A91–082 CIV) and*
 23 *State of Alaska v. Exxon Corporation, et al. (No.*
 24 *A91–083 CIV).*

1 “(2) *FUND*.—The term ‘Fund’ means the Nat-
 2 *ural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration*
 3 *Fund established pursuant to title I of the Depart-*
 4 *ment of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropria-*
 5 *tions Act, 1992 (43 U.S.C. 1474b).*

6 “(3) *OUTSIDE ACCOUNT*.—The term ‘outside ac-
 7 *count’ means any account outside the United States*
 8 *Treasury.*

9 “(4) *TRUSTEE*.—The term ‘Trustee’ means a
 10 *Federal or State natural resource trustee for the*
 11 *Exxon Valdez oil spill.*

12 “(b) *DEPOSITS*.—

13 “(1) *IN GENERAL*.—Notwithstanding any other
 14 *provision of law and subject to subsection (g)’;*

15 (4) *in subsection (b)(1) (as so designated)—*

16 (A) *in the matter preceding subparagraph*
 17 (A) *by striking “issued in United States v.*
 18 *Exxon Corporation, et al. (No. A91–082 CIV)*
 19 *and State of Alaska v. Exxon Corporation, et al.*
 20 *(No. A91–083 CIV) (hereafter referred to as the*
 21 *‘Consent Decree’),”;*

22 (B) *by striking subparagraphs (A) and (B)*
 23 *and inserting the following:*

24 “(A) *the Fund;*

25 “(B) *an outside account; or”;* and

1 (C) in the undesignated matter following
 2 subparagraph (C)—

3 (i) by striking “the Federal and State
 4 natural resource trustees for the Exxon
 5 Valdez oil spill (‘trustees’)” and inserting
 6 “the Trustees”; and

7 (ii) by striking “Any funds” and in-
 8 serting the following:

9 “(2) *REQUIREMENT FOR DEPOSITS IN OUTSIDE*
 10 *ACCOUNTS.—Any funds*”;

11 (5) in subsection (c) (as redesignated by para-
 12 graph (2)) by striking “(C) Joint” and inserting the
 13 following:

14 “(c) *TRANSFERS.—Any joint*”;

15 (6) in subsection (d) (as redesignated by para-
 16 graph (2)) by striking “(D) The transfer” and insert-
 17 ing the following:

18 “(d) *NO EFFECT ON JURISDICTION.—The transfer*”;

19 (7) in subsection (e) (as redesignated by para-
 20 graph (2))—

21 (A) by striking “(E) Nothing herein shall
 22 affect” and inserting the following:

23 “(e) *EFFECT ON OTHER LAW.—Nothing in this section*
 24 *affects*”; and

1 (B) by striking “trustees” and inserting
2 “Trustees”;

3 (8) in subsection (f) (as redesignated by para-
4 graph (2))—

5 (A) by striking “(F) The Federal trustees
6 and the State trustees” and inserting the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(f) GRANTS.—The Trustees”; and

9 (B) by striking “this program” and insert-
10 ing “this section, prioritizing the issuance of
11 grants to facilitate habitat protection and habi-
12 tat restoration programs”; and

13 (9) in subsection (g) (as redesignated by para-
14 graph (2))—

15 (A) in the second sentence, by striking
16 “Upon the expiration of the authorities granted
17 in this section all” and inserting the following:

18 “(2) RETURN OF FUNDS.—On expiration of the
19 authority provided in this section, all”; and

20 (B) by striking “(G) The authority” and in-
21 serting the following:

22 “(g) EXPIRATION.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority”.

1 **SEC. 406. ADDITIONAL RESPONSE ASSETS.**

2 (a) *EXEMPTION AND REQUIREMENTS.*—Section 3302
3 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at
4 the end the following:

5 “(o) *ADDITIONAL RESPONSE ASSETS.*—

6 “(1) *VESSELS EXEMPT FROM INSPECTION.*—*Ex-*
7 *cept as otherwise provided in this subsection, a quali-*
8 *fied vessel engaged in a qualified oil spill response*
9 *shall not be subject to inspection if the qualified ves-*
10 *sel—*

11 “(A) *has—*

12 “(i) *an agreement by contract or other*
13 *approved means with an oil spill removal*
14 *organization to support a response plan*
15 *under section 311(j) of the Federal Water*
16 *Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321(j)),*
17 *including training and exercises related to*
18 *oil spill response activities; or*

19 “(ii) *been approved by the Secretary to*
20 *respond to a discharge of oil or to partici-*
21 *pate in training and exercises related to oil*
22 *spill response activities;*

23 “(B) *is normally and substantially involved*
24 *in activities other than, and not adapted to, spill*
25 *response;*

1 “(C) *complies with all applicable laws for*
2 *the use of such vessel in the activities for which*
3 *such vessel is normally and substantially oper-*
4 *ated, including any inspection requirement*
5 *under this title for such use; and*

6 “(D) *has at least 1 crewmember possessing*
7 *certifications for, or who are in training for, ap-*
8 *plicable hazardous waste operations and emer-*
9 *gency response.*

10 “(2) *ALLOWANCES.—A qualified vessel under*
11 *paragraph (1) may—*

12 “(A) *unless otherwise inspected as a towing*
13 *vessel under this title, tow only—*

14 “(i) *another vessel or a device, includ-*
15 *ing a bladder, designed to carry oil or oil*
16 *residues with the capacity of less than 250*
17 *barrels; or*

18 “(ii) *oil spill response equipment, in-*
19 *cluding boom, skimmers, or other response*
20 *equipment;*

21 “(B) *carry—*

22 “(i) *temporary storage containers on*
23 *board for recovered oil or oil-contaminated*
24 *materials collected during an oil spill re-*

1 sponse, including bags, drums, and totes as
2 approved by the Secretary;

3 “(ii) oil spill response equipment; or

4 “(iii) no more than 6 passengers for
5 hire in support of a response plan under
6 Section 311(j) of the Federal Water Pollu-
7 tion Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321(j)) ap-
8 proved by the Secretary unless the vessel has
9 been inspected under paragraph (4) or (8)
10 of section 3301 or is authorized by the Sec-
11 retary to carry more than 6 passengers for
12 hire;

13 “(C) if the qualified vessel is a tank vessel,
14 be used for storage of recovered oil only if not
15 carrying oil as cargo at the time of an oil spill
16 response; or

17 “(D) conduct any other operation, or engage
18 in training or exercises, in support of a response
19 plan under section 311(j) of the Federal Water
20 Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1321(j)) ap-
21 proved by the Secretary.

22 “(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

23 “(A) QUALIFIED VESSEL.—The term ‘quali-
24 fied vessel’ means a vessel operating in any part
25 of the area of responsibility—

1 “(i) of the Western Alaska Captain of
2 the Port Zone as in effect of the date of en-
3 actment of the Coast Guard Authorization
4 Act of 2025; or

5 “(ii) the Prince William Sound Cap-
6 tain of the Port Zone as in effect of the date
7 of enactment of the Coast Guard Authoriza-
8 tion Act of 2025.

9 “(B) QUALIFIED OIL SPILL.—The term
10 ‘qualified oil spill’ means an oil spill occurring
11 in any part of the area of responsibility—

12 “(i) of the Western Alaska Captain of
13 the Port Zone as in effect of the date of en-
14 actment of the Coast Guard Authorization
15 Act of 2025; or

16 “(ii) the Prince William Sound Cap-
17 tain of the Port Zone as in effect of the date
18 of enactment of the Coast Guard Authoriza-
19 tion Act of 2025.”.

20 (b) REPEAL.—Section 11316 of the James M. Inhofe
21 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023
22 (Public Law 117–263) is repealed.

23 **SEC. 407. INTERNATIONAL MARITIME OIL SPILL RESPONSE.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
25 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall, in

1 *coordination with the Secretary of State, review and update*
2 *the Canada-US Joint Maritime Pollution Contingency*
3 *Plan.*

4 (b) *REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a),*
5 *the Commandant shall—*

6 (1) *review each geographic annex within the con-*
7 *tingency plan;*

8 (2) *analyze the vessel traffic patterns, including*
9 *the types of vessels transiting the area, and assess the*
10 *risks of a pollution incident; and*

11 (3) *determine if any of the areas should be ex-*
12 *panded or modified.*

13 (c) *EXERCISES.—The Commandant, in coordination*
14 *with the Secretary of State, shall conduct a joint training*
15 *exercise not less than once a year to determine emergency*
16 *response capabilities and identify other types of support*
17 *necessary to effectuate a successful oil spill response, in ac-*
18 *cordance with the Canada-US Joint Maritime Pollution*
19 *Contingency Plan.*

1 **TITLE V—SEXUAL ASSAULT AND**
2 **SEXUAL HARASSMENT RE-**
3 **SPONSE**

4 **SEC. 501. INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF COAST GUARD RE-**
5 **FORMS.**

6 (a) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE RE-
7 PORT.—

8 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year after
9 the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
10 General of the United States shall report to the Com-
11 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the
12 House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-
13 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate on
14 the efforts of the Coast Guard to mitigate cases of sex-
15 ual assault and sexual harassment within the service.

16 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—The report required under
17 paragraph (1) shall—

18 (A) evaluate—

19 (i) the efforts of the Commandant to
20 implement the directed actions from enclo-
21 sure 1 of the memorandum titled “Com-
22 mandant’s Directed Actions—Account-
23 ability and Transparency” dated November
24 27, 2023;

1 (ii) whether the Commandant met the
2 reporting requirements under section 5112
3 of title 14, United States Code; and

4 (iii) the effectiveness of the actions of
5 the Coast Guard, including efforts outside of
6 the actions described in the memorandum
7 titled “Commandant’s Directed Actions—
8 Accountability and Transparency” dated
9 November 27, 2023, to mitigate instances of
10 sexual assault and sexual harassment and
11 improve the enforcement relating to such in-
12 stances within the Coast Guard, and how
13 the Coast Guard is overcoming challenges in
14 implementing such actions;

15 (B) make recommendations to the Com-
16 mandant for improvements to the efforts of the
17 service to mitigate instances of sexual assault
18 and sexual harassment and improve the enforce-
19 ment relating to such instances within the Coast
20 Guard; and

21 (C) make recommendations to the Com-
22 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
23 the House of Representatives and the Committee
24 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of
25 the Senate to mitigate instances of sexual assault

1 *and sexual harassment in the Coast Guard and*
2 *improve the enforcement relating to such in-*
3 *stances within the Coast Guard, including pro-*
4 *posed changes to any legislative authorities.*

5 **(b) REPORT BY COMMANDANT.**—*Not later than 90*
6 *days after the date on which the Comptroller General com-*
7 *pletes all actions under subsection (a), the Commandant*
8 *shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and In-*
9 *frastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-*
10 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
11 *Senate a report that includes the following:*

12 **(1)** *A plan for Coast Guard implementation, in-*
13 *cluding interim milestones and timeframes, of any*
14 *recommendation made by the Comptroller General*
15 *under subsection (a)(2)(B) with which the Com-*
16 *mandant concurs.*

17 **(2)** *With respect to any recommendation made*
18 *under subsection (a)(2)(B) with which the Com-*
19 *mandant does not concur, an explanation of the rea-*
20 *sons why the Commandant does not concur.*

1 **SEC. 502. COMPREHENSIVE POLICY AND PROCEDURES ON**
2 **RETENTION AND ACCESS TO EVIDENCE AND**
3 **RECORDS RELATING TO SEXUAL MIS-**
4 **CONDUCT AND OTHER MISCONDUCT.**

5 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter II of chapter 9 of title
6 14, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
7 the following:

8 **“§ 955. Comprehensive policy and procedures on reten-**
9 **tion and access to evidence and records**
10 **relating to sexual misconduct and other**
11 **misconduct**

12 “(a) *ISSUANCE OF POLICY.*—Not later than 1 year
13 after the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authoriza-
14 tion Act of 2025, the Secretary, in consultation with the
15 Office of the Inspector General of the department in which
16 the Coast Guard is operating and the Office of the Inspector
17 General of the Department of Defense, shall issue a com-
18 prehensive policy for the Coast Guard on the retention of
19 and access to evidence and records relating to covered mis-
20 conduct involving members of the Coast Guard.

21 “(b) *OBJECTIVES.*—The comprehensive policy required
22 by subsection (a) shall revise existing policies and proce-
23 dures, including systems of records, as necessary to ensure
24 preservation of such evidence and records for periods suffi-
25 cient—

1 “(1) to ensure that members of the Coast Guard
2 who were victims of covered misconduct are able to
3 pursue claims for veterans benefits;

4 “(2) to support administrative processes, criminal
5 proceedings, and civil litigation conducted by
6 military or civil authorities; and

7 “(3) for such other purposes relating to the docu-
8 mentation of an incident of covered misconduct in the
9 Coast Guard as the Secretary considers appropriate.

10 “(c) *ELEMENTS.*—

11 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—In developing the com-
12 prehensive policy required by subsection (a), the Sec-
13 retary shall, at a minimum—

14 “(A) identify records relating to an incident
15 of covered misconduct that shall be retained;

16 “(B) with respect to records relating to cov-
17 ered misconduct involving members of the Coast
18 Guard that are not records of the Coast Guard,
19 identify such records known to or in the posses-
20 sion of the Coast Guard, and set forth procedures
21 for Coast Guard coordination with the custodian
22 of such records for proper retention of the
23 records;

1 “(C) set forth criteria for the collection and
2 retention of records relating to covered mis-
3 conduct involving members of the Coast Guard;

4 “(D) identify physical evidence and non-
5 documentary forms of evidence relating to cov-
6 ered misconduct that shall be retained;

7 “(E) set forth the period for which evidence
8 and records relating to covered misconduct in-
9 volving members of the Coast Guard, including
10 Coast Guard Form 6095, shall be retained, ex-
11 cept that—

12 “(i) any physical or forensic evidence
13 relating to rape or sexual assault, as de-
14 scribed in sections 920(a) and 920(b) of
15 title 10 (articles 120(a) and 120(b) of the
16 Uniform Code of Military Justice), shall be
17 retained not less than 50 years, and for
18 other covered misconduct not less than the
19 statute of limitations of the alleged offense
20 under the Uniform Code of Military Justice;
21 and

22 “(ii) documentary evidence relating to
23 rape or sexual assault, as described in sec-
24 tions 920(a) and 920(b) of title 10 (articles
25 120(a) and 120(b) of the Uniform Code of

1 *Military Justice*), shall be retained not less
2 than 50 years;

3 “(F) consider locations in which such
4 records shall be stored;

5 “(G) identify media and methods that may
6 be used to preserve and ensure access to such
7 records, including electronic systems of records;

8 “(H) ensure the protection of privacy of—

9 “(i) individuals named in records and
10 status of records under section 552 of title
11 5 (commonly referred to as the ‘Freedom of
12 Information Act’) and section 552a of title
13 5 (commonly referred to as the ‘Privacy
14 Act’); and

15 “(ii) individuals named in restricted
16 reporting cases;

17 “(I) designate the 1 or more positions with-
18 in the Coast Guard that shall have the responsi-
19 bility for such record retention by the Coast
20 Guard;

21 “(J) require education and training for
22 members and civilian employees of the Coast
23 Guard on record retention requirements under
24 this section;

1 “(K) set forth criteria for access to such
2 records relating to covered misconduct involving
3 members of the Coast Guard, including whether
4 the consent of the victim should be required,
5 by—

6 “(i) victims of covered misconduct;

7 “(ii) law enforcement authorities;

8 “(iii) the Department of Veterans Af-
9 fairs; and

10 “(iv) other individuals and entities,
11 including alleged assailants;

12 “(L) require uniform collection of data
13 on—

14 “(i) the incidence of covered mis-
15 conduct in the Coast Guard; and

16 “(ii) disciplinary actions taken in sub-
17 stantiated cases of covered misconduct in
18 the Coast Guard; and

19 “(M) set forth standards for communica-
20 tions with, and notifications to, victims, con-
21 sistent with—

22 “(i) the requirements of any applicable
23 Department of Defense policy; and

1 “(ii) to the extent practicable, any ap-
2 plicable policy of the department in which
3 the Coast Guard is operating.

4 “(2) *RETENTION OF CERTAIN FORMS AND EVI-*
5 *DENCE IN CONNECTION WITH RESTRICTED REPORTS*
6 *AND UNRESTRICTED REPORTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT*
7 *INVOLVING MEMBERS OF THE COAST GUARD.—*

8 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—*The comprehensive pol-
9 icy required by subsection (a) shall require all
10 unique or original copies of Coast Guard Form
11 6095 filed in connection with a restricted or un-
12 restricted report on an alleged incident of rape
13 or sexual assault, as described in sections 920(a)
14 and 920(b) of title 10 (articles 120(a) and 120(b)
15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), involv-
16 ing a member of the Coast Guard to be retained
17 for the longer of—

18 “(i) 50 years commencing on the date
19 of signature of the covered person on Coast
20 Guard Form 6095; or

21 “(ii) the time provided for the reten-
22 tion of such form in connection with unre-
23 stricted and restricted reports on incidents
24 of sexual assault involving members of the
25 Coast Guard under Coast Guard policy.

1 “(B) *PROTECTION OF CONFIDENTIALITY.*—
2 *Any Coast Guard form retained under subpara-*
3 *graph (A) shall be retained in a manner that*
4 *protects the confidentiality of the member of the*
5 *Coast Guard concerned in accordance with Coast*
6 *Guard policy.*

7 “(3) *RETENTION OF CASE NOTES IN INVESTIGA-*
8 *TIONS OF COVERED MISCONDUCT INVOLVING MEMBERS*
9 *OF THE COAST GUARD.*—

10 “(A) *REQUIRED RETENTION OF ALL INVES-*
11 *TIGATIVE RECORDS.*—*The comprehensive policy*
12 *required by subsection (a) shall require, for all*
13 *criminal investigations relating to an alleged in-*
14 *cident of covered misconduct involving a member*
15 *of the Coast Guard, the retention of all elements*
16 *of the case file.*

17 “(B) *ELEMENTS.*—*The elements of the case*
18 *file to be retained under subparagraph (A) shall*
19 *include, at a minimum—*

20 “(i) *the case activity record;*

21 “(ii) *the case review record;*

22 “(iii) *investigative plans; and*

23 “(iv) *all case notes made by any inves-*
24 *tigating agent.*

1 “(C) *RETENTION PERIOD.*—All elements of
2 the case file shall be retained for not less than 50
3 years for cases involving rape or sexual assault,
4 as described in sections 920(a) and 920(b) of
5 title 10 (articles 120(a) and 120(b) of the Uni-
6 form Code of Military Justice), and not less than
7 the statute of limitations of the alleged offense
8 under the Uniform Code of Military Justice for
9 other covered misconduct, and no element of any
10 such case file may be destroyed until the expira-
11 tion of such period.

12 “(4) *RETURN OF PERSONAL PROPERTY UPON*
13 *COMPLETION OF RELATED PROCEEDINGS IN UNRE-*
14 *STRICTED REPORTING CASES.*—Notwithstanding the
15 records and evidence retention requirements described
16 in paragraphs (1)(E) and (2), personal property re-
17 tained as evidence in connection with an incident of
18 rape or sexual assault, as described in sections 920(a)
19 and 920(b) of title 10 (articles 120(a) and 120(b) of
20 the Uniform Code of Military Justice), involving a
21 member of the Coast Guard may be returned to the
22 rightful owner of such property after the conclusion of
23 all legal, adverse action, and administrative pro-
24 ceedings related to such incident, as determined by
25 the Commandant.

1 “(5) *RETURN OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN RE-*
2 *STRICTED REPORTING CASES.*—

3 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall*
4 *prescribe procedures under which a victim who*
5 *files a restricted report of an incident of sexual*
6 *assault may request, at any time, the return of*
7 *any personal property of the victim obtained as*
8 *part of the sexual assault forensic examination.*

9 “(B) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*The procedures re-*
10 *quired by subparagraph (A) shall ensure that—*

11 “(i) *a request by a victim for the re-*
12 *turn of personal property described under*
13 *subparagraph (A) may be made on a con-*
14 *fidential basis and without affecting the re-*
15 *stricted nature of the restricted report; and*

16 “(ii) *at the time of the filing of the re-*
17 *stricted report, a Special Victims’ Counsel,*
18 *Sexual Assault Response Coordinator, or*
19 *Sexual Assault Prevention and Response*
20 *Victim Advocate—*

21 “(I) *informs the victim that the*
22 *victim may request the return of per-*
23 *sonal property as described in such*
24 *subparagraph; and*

1 “(II) advises the victim that such
2 a request for the return of personal
3 property may negatively impact a sub-
4 sequent case adjudication if the victim
5 later decides to convert the restricted
6 report to an unrestricted report.

7 “(C) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Except*
8 *with respect to personal property returned to a*
9 *victim under this paragraph, nothing in this*
10 *paragraph may be construed to affect the re-*
11 *quirement to retain a sexual assault forensic ex-*
12 *amination kit for the period specified in para-*
13 *graph (2).*

14 “(6) *VICTIM ACCESS TO RECORDS.*—*With respect*
15 *to victim access to records after all final disposition*
16 *actions and any appeals have been completed, as ap-*
17 *plicable, the comprehensive policy required by sub-*
18 *section (a) shall provide that, to the maximum extent*
19 *practicable, and in such a manner that will not jeop-*
20 *ardize an active investigation or an active case—*

21 “(A) *a victim of covered misconduct in a*
22 *case in which either the victim or alleged perpe-*
23 *trator is a covered person shall have access to all*
24 *records that are directly related to the victim’s*
25 *case, or related to the victim themselves, in ac-*

1 *cordance with the policy issued under subsection*
2 *(a) and subject to required protections under sec-*
3 *tions 552 and 552a of title 5;*

4 *“(B) a victim of covered misconduct who re-*
5 *quests access to records under section 552 or*
6 *552a of title 5 concerning the victim’s case shall*
7 *be determined to have a compelling need, and the*
8 *records request shall be processed under expedited*
9 *processing procedures, if in the request for such*
10 *records the victim indicates that the records con-*
11 *cerned are related to the covered misconduct case;*

12 *“(C) in applying sections 552 and 552a of*
13 *title 5 to the redaction of information related to*
14 *a records request by a victim of covered mis-*
15 *conduct made under such sections after all final*
16 *disposition actions and any appeals have been*
17 *completed—*

18 *“(i) any such redaction shall be ap-*
19 *plied to the minimum extent possible so as*
20 *to ensure the provision of the maximum*
21 *amount of unredacted information to the*
22 *victim that is permissible by law; and*

23 *“(ii) any such redaction shall not be*
24 *applied to—*

1 “(I) receipt by the victim of the
2 victim’s own statement; or

3 “(II) the victim’s information
4 from an investigation; and

5 “(D) in the case of such a records request
6 for which the timelines for expedited processing
7 are not met, the Commandant shall provide to
8 the Secretary, the Committee on Commerce,
9 Science, and Transportation of the Senate, and
10 the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
11 structure of the House of Representatives a brief-
12 ing that explains the reasons for the denial or
13 the delay in processing, as applicable.

14 “(d) *DEFINITION OF COVERED PERSON.*—In this sec-
15 tion, the term ‘covered person’ includes—

16 “(1) a member of the Coast Guard on active
17 duty;

18 “(2) a member of the Coast Guard Reserve with
19 respect to crimes investigated by or reported to the
20 Secretary on any date on which such member is in
21 a military status under section 802 of title 10 (article
22 2 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice);

23 “(3) a former member of the Coast Guard with
24 respect to crimes investigated by or reported to the
25 Secretary; and

1 “(4) *in the case of an investigation of covered*
 2 *misconduct conducted by, or an incident of covered*
 3 *misconduct reported to, the Coast Guard involving a*
 4 *civilian employee of the Coast Guard, any such civil-*
 5 *ian employee of the Coast Guard.*

6 “(e) *SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this section au-*
 7 *thorizes or requires, or shall be construed to authorize or*
 8 *require, the discovery, inspection, or production of reports,*
 9 *memoranda, or other internal documents or work product*
 10 *generated by counsel, an attorney for the Government, or*
 11 *their assistants or representatives.”.*

12 “(b) *IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 9 of title*
 13 *14, United States Code, is further amended by adding at*
 14 *the end the following:*

15 **“§ 956. Requirement to maintain certain records**

16 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall maintain*
 17 *all work product related to documenting a disposition deci-*
 18 *sion on an investigation by the Coast Guard Investigative*
 19 *Service or other law enforcement entity investigating a*
 20 *Coast Guard member accused of an offense against chapter*
 21 *47 of title 10.*

22 “(b) *RECORD RETENTION PERIOD.—Work product*
 23 *documents and the case action summary described in sub-*
 24 *section (c) shall be maintained for a period of not less than*
 25 *7 years from the date of the disposition decision.*

1 “(c) *CASE ACTION SUMMARY.*—Upon a final disposi-
2 tion action for cases described in subsection (a), except for
3 offenses of wrongful use or possession of a controlled sub-
4 stance under section 912a of title 10 (article 112a of the
5 Uniform Code of Military Justice), where the member ac-
6 cused is an officer of pay grade O–4 and below or an en-
7 listed member of pay grade E–7 and below, a convening
8 authority shall sign a case action summary that includes
9 the following:

10 “(1) *The disposition actions.*

11 “(2) *The name and command of the referral au-*
12 *thority.*

13 “(3) *Records documenting when a referral au-*
14 *thority consulted with a staff judge advocate or spe-*
15 *cial trial counsel, as applicable, before a disposition*
16 *action was taken, to include the recommendation of*
17 *the staff judge advocate or special trial counsel.*

18 “(4) *A reference section listing the materials re-*
19 *viewed in making a disposition decision.*

20 “(5) *The Coast Guard Investigative Service re-*
21 *port of investigation.*

22 “(6) *The completed Coast Guard Investigative*
23 *Service report of adjudication included as an enclo-*
24 *sure.*

1 “(d) *DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘work*
 2 *product’ includes—*

3 “(1) *a prosecution memorandum;*

4 “(2) *emails, notes, and other correspondence re-*
 5 *lated to a disposition decision; and*

6 “(3) *the contents described in paragraphs (1)*
 7 *through (6) of subsection (c).*

8 “(e) *SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this section au-*
 9 *thorizes or requires, or shall be construed to authorize or*
 10 *require, the discovery, inspection, or production of reports,*
 11 *memoranda, or other internal documents or work product*
 12 *generated by counsel, an attorney for the Government, or*
 13 *their assistants or representatives.”.*

14 “(c) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter*
 15 *9 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding*
 16 *at the end the following:*

“Sec. 955. Comprehensive policy and procedures on retention and access to evi-
dence and records relating to sexual misconduct and other mis-
conduct.

“Sec. 956. Requirement to maintain certain records.”.

17 ***SEC. 503. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF***
 18 ***A CADET AT THE COAST GUARD ACADEMY***
 19 ***WHO IS THE VICTIM OF A SEXUAL ASSAULT***
 20 ***OR RELATED OFFENSE.***

21 *Section 1902 of title 14, United States Code, is further*
 22 *amended by adding at the end the following:*

1 “(g) *CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF*
2 *CADET WHO IS THE VICTIM OF SEXUAL ASSAULT OR RE-*
3 *LATED OFFENSE.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commandant shall pro-*
5 *vide for timely consideration of and action on a re-*
6 *quest submitted by a cadet appointed to the Coast*
7 *Guard Academy who is the victim of an alleged sex-*
8 *ual assault or other offense covered by section 920,*
9 *920c, or 930 of title 10 (article 120, 120c, or 130 of*
10 *the Uniform Code of Military Justice) for transfer to*
11 *another military service academy or to enroll in a*
12 *Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program af-*
13 *filiated with another institution of higher education.*

14 “(2) *REGULATIONS.*—*The Commandant, in con-*
15 *sultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall establish*
16 *policies to carry out this subsection that—*

17 “(A) *provide that the Superintendent shall*
18 *ensure that any cadet who has been appointed to*
19 *the Coast Guard Academy is informed of the*
20 *right to request a transfer pursuant to this sub-*
21 *section, and that any formal request submitted*
22 *by a cadet who alleges an offense referred to in*
23 *paragraph (1) is processed as expeditiously as*
24 *practicable through the chain of command for re-*
25 *view and action by the Superintendent;*

1 “(B) direct the Superintendent, in coordi-
2 nation with the Superintendent of the military
3 service academy to which the cadet requests to
4 transfer—

5 “(i) to take action on a request for
6 transfer under this subsection not later than
7 72 hours after receiving the formal request
8 from the cadet;

9 “(ii) to approve such request for trans-
10 fer unless there are exceptional cir-
11 cumstances that require denial of the re-
12 quest;

13 “(iii) upon approval of such request
14 for transfer, to take all necessary and ap-
15 propriate action to effectuate the transfer of
16 the cadet to the military service academy
17 concerned as expeditiously as possible, sub-
18 ject to the considerations described in clause
19 (iv); and

20 “(iv) in determining the transfer date
21 of the cadet to the military service academy
22 concerned, to take into account—

23 “(I) the preferences of the cadet,
24 including any preference to delay
25 transfer until the completion of any

1 *academic course in which the cadet is*
2 *enrolled at the time of the request for*
3 *transfer; and*

4 “(II) *the well-being of the cadet;*
5 *and*

6 “(C) *direct the Superintendent of the Coast*
7 *Guard Academy, in coordination with the Sec-*
8 *retary of the military department that sponsors*
9 *the Senior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps pro-*
10 *gram at the institution of higher education to*
11 *which the cadet requests to transfer—*

12 “(i) *to take action on a request for*
13 *transfer under this subsection not later than*
14 *72 hours after receiving the formal request*
15 *from the cadet;*

16 “(ii) *subject to the cadet’s acceptance*
17 *for admission to the institution of higher*
18 *education to which the cadet wishes to*
19 *transfer, to approve such request for trans-*
20 *fer unless there are exceptional cir-*
21 *cumstances that require denial of the re-*
22 *quest;*

23 “(iii) *to take all necessary and appro-*
24 *priate action to effectuate the cadet’s enroll-*
25 *ment in the institution of higher education*

1 to which the cadet wishes to transfer and to
2 process the cadet for participation in the
3 relevant Senior Reserve Officers' Training
4 Corps program as expeditiously as possible,
5 subject to the considerations described in
6 clause (iv); and

7 “(iv) in determining the transfer date
8 of the cadet to the institution of higher edu-
9 cation to which the cadet wishes to transfer,
10 to take into account—

11 “(I) the preferences of the cadet,
12 including any preference to delay
13 transfer until the completion of any
14 academic course in which the cadet is
15 enrolled at the time of the request for
16 transfer; and

17 “(II) the well-being of the cadet.

18 “(3) REVIEW.—If the Superintendent denies a
19 request for transfer under this subsection, the cadet
20 may request review of the denial by the Secretary,
21 who shall take action on such request for review not
22 later than 72 hours after receipt of such request.

23 “(4) CONFIDENTIALITY.—The Secretary shall en-
24 sure that all records of any request, determination,
25 transfer, or other action under this subsection remain

1 *confidential, consistent with applicable law and regu-*
2 *lation.*

3 “(5) *EFFECT OF OTHER LAW.*—*A cadet who*
4 *transfers under this subsection may retain the cadet’s*
5 *appointment to the Coast Guard Academy or may be*
6 *appointed to the military service academy to which*
7 *the cadet transfers without regard to the limitations*
8 *and requirements set forth in sections 7442, 8454,*
9 *and 9442 of title 10.*

10 “(6) *COMMISSION AS OFFICER IN THE COAST*
11 *GUARD.*—

12 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*Upon graduation, a*
13 *graduate of the United States Military Academy,*
14 *the United States Air Force Academy, or the*
15 *United States Naval Academy who transferred to*
16 *that academy under this subsection is entitled to*
17 *be accepted for appointment as a permanent*
18 *commissioned officer in the Regular Coast Guard*
19 *in the same manner as graduates of the Coast*
20 *Guard Academy, as set forth in section 2101 of*
21 *this title.*

22 “(B) *COMMISSION AS OFFICER IN OTHER*
23 *ARMED FORCE.*—

24 “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*A cadet who trans-*
25 *fers under this subsection to the United*

1 *States Military Academy, the United States*
2 *Air Force Academy, or the United States*
3 *Naval Academy and indicates a preference*
4 *pursuant to clause (ii) may be appointed as*
5 *a commissioned officer in an armed force*
6 *associated with the academy from which the*
7 *cadet graduated.*

8 “(ii) *STATEMENT OF PREFERENCE.—A*
9 *cadet seeking appointment as a commis-*
10 *sioned officer in an armed force associated*
11 *with the academy from which the cadet*
12 *graduated under clause (i) shall, before*
13 *graduating from that academy, indicate to*
14 *the Commandant that the cadet has a pref-*
15 *erence for appointment to that armed force.*

16 “(iii) *CONSIDERATION BY COAST*
17 *GUARD.—The Commandant shall consider a*
18 *preference of a cadet indicated pursuant to*
19 *clause (ii), but may require the cadet to*
20 *serve as a permanent commissioned officer*
21 *in the Regular Coast Guard instead of being*
22 *appointed as a commissioned officer in an*
23 *armed force associated with the academy*
24 *from which the cadet graduated.*

1 “(iv) *TREATMENT OF SERVICE AGREE-*
2 *MENT.—With respect to a service agreement*
3 *entered into under section 1925 of this title*
4 *by a cadet who transfers under this sub-*
5 *section to the United States Military Acad-*
6 *emy, the United States Air Force Academy,*
7 *or the United States Naval Academy and is*
8 *appointed as a commissioned officer in an*
9 *armed force associated with that academy,*
10 *the service obligation undertaken under such*
11 *agreement shall be considered to be satisfied*
12 *upon the completion of 5 years of active*
13 *duty service in the service of such armed*
14 *force.*

15 “(C) *SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING*
16 *CORPS PROGRAM.—A cadet who transfers under*
17 *this subsection to a Senior Reserve Officers’*
18 *Training Corps program affiliated with another*
19 *institution of higher education is entitled upon*
20 *graduation from the Senior Reserve Officers’*
21 *Training program to commission into the Coast*
22 *Guard, as set forth in section 3738a of this*
23 *title.”.*

1 **SEC. 504. DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS WITH PARTICULAR**
 2 **EXPERTISE IN MILITARY JUSTICE OR**
 3 **HEALTHCARE.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter I of chapter 21 of title
 5 14, United States Code is amended by adding at the end
 6 the following:

7 **“§ 2132. Designation of officers with particular exper-**
 8 **tise in military justice or healthcare**

9 “(a) *SECRETARY DESIGNATION.*—The Secretary may
 10 designate a limited number of officers of the Coast Guard
 11 as having particular expertise in—

12 “(1) *military justice; or*

13 “(2) *healthcare.*

14 “(b) *PROMOTION AND GRADE.*—An individual des-
 15 ignated under this section—

16 “(1) *shall not be included on the active duty pro-*
 17 *motion list;*

18 “(2) *shall be promoted under section 2126; and*

19 “(3) *may not be promoted to a grade higher than*
 20 *captain.”.*

21 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
 22 21 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting
 23 after the item relating to section 2131 the following:

“2132. *Designation of officers with particular expertise in military justice or
 healthcare.”.*

24 (c) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—

1 (1) *Section 2102(a) of title 14, United States*
 2 *Code, is amended, in the second sentence by striking*
 3 *“and officers of the permanent commissioned teaching*
 4 *staff of the Coast Guard Academy” and inserting “of-*
 5 *ficers of the permanent commissioned teaching staff of*
 6 *the Coast Guard Academy, and officers designated by*
 7 *the Secretary pursuant this section”.*

8 (2) *Subsection (e) of section 2103 of title 14,*
 9 *United States Code, is amended to read as follows:*

10 *“(e) SECRETARY TO PRESCRIBE NUMBERS FOR CER-*
 11 *TAIN OFFICERS.—The Secretary shall prescribe the number*
 12 *of officers authorized to be serving on active duty in each*
 13 *grade of—*

14 *“(1) the permanent commissioned teaching staff*
 15 *of the Coast Guard Academy;*

16 *“(2) the officers designated by the Secretary pur-*
 17 *suant to this section; and*

18 *“(3) the officers of the Reserve serving in connec-*
 19 *tion with organizing, administering, recruiting, in-*
 20 *structing, or training the reserve components.”.*

21 (3) *Section 2126 of title 14, United States Code,*
 22 *is amended, in the second sentence, by inserting “and*
 23 *as to officers designated by the Secretary pursuant to*
 24 *this section” after “reserve components”.*

1 (4) *Section 3736(a) of title 14, United States*
 2 *Code, is amended—*

3 (A) *in the first sentence by striking “pro-*
 4 *motion list and the” and inserting “promotion*
 5 *list, officers designated by the Secretary pursu-*
 6 *ant to this section, and the officers on the”; and*

7 (B) *in the second sentence by striking “pro-*
 8 *motion list or the” and inserting “promotion*
 9 *list, officers designated by the Secretary pursu-*
 10 *ant to this section, or the officers on the”.*

11 ***SEC. 505. SAFE-TO-REPORT POLICY FOR COAST GUARD.***

12 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 19 of title*
 13 *14, United States Code, is further amended by adding at*
 14 *the end the following:*

15 ***“§ 1909. Safe-to-Report policy for Coast Guard***

16 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the*
 17 *date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of*
 18 *2025, the Commandant shall, in consultation with the Sec-*
 19 *retaries of the military departments, establish and main-*
 20 *tain a safe-to-report policy described in subsection (b) that*
 21 *applies with respect to all members of the Coast Guard (in-*
 22 *cluding members of the reserve and auxiliary components*
 23 *of the Coast Guard), cadets at the Coast Guard Academy,*
 24 *and any other individual undergoing training at an acces-*
 25 *sion point of the Coast Guard.*

1 “(b) *SAFE-TO-REPORT POLICY.*—*The safe-to-report*
 2 *policy described in this subsection is a policy that—*

3 “(1) *prescribes the handling of minor collateral*
 4 *misconduct, involving a member of the Coast Guard*
 5 *who is the alleged victim or reporting witness of a*
 6 *sexual assault; and*

7 “(2) *applies to all such individuals, regardless*
 8 *of—*

9 “(A) *to whom the victim makes the allega-*
 10 *tion or who receives the victim’s report of sexual*
 11 *assault; or*

12 “(B) *whether the report, investigation, or*
 13 *prosecution is handled by military or civilian*
 14 *authorities.*

15 “(c) *MITIGATING AND AGGRAVATING CIR-*
 16 *CUMSTANCES.*—*In issuing the policy under subsection (a),*
 17 *the Commandant shall specify mitigating circumstances*
 18 *that decrease the gravity of minor collateral misconduct or*
 19 *the impact of such misconduct on good order and discipline*
 20 *and aggravating circumstances that increase the gravity of*
 21 *minor collateral misconduct or the impact of such mis-*
 22 *conduct on good order and discipline for purposes of the*
 23 *safe-to-report policy.*

24 “(d) *TRACKING OF COLLATERAL MISCONDUCT INCI-*
 25 *DENTS.*—*In conjunction with the issuance of the policy*

1 *under subsection (a), the Commandant shall develop and*
2 *implement a process to anonymously track incidents of*
3 *minor collateral misconduct that are subject to the safe-to-*
4 *report policy.*

5 “(e) *MINOR COLLATERAL MISCONDUCT DEFINED.*—*In*
6 *this section, the term ‘minor collateral misconduct’ means*
7 *any minor misconduct that is potentially punishable under*
8 *chapter 47 of title 10 that—*

9 “(1) *is committed close in time to or during a*
10 *sexual assault and directly related to the incident*
11 *that formed the basis of the allegation of sexual as-*
12 *sault allegation;*

13 “(2) *is discovered as a direct result of the report*
14 *of sexual assault or the ensuing investigation into*
15 *such sexual assault; and*

16 “(3) *does not involve aggravating circumstances*
17 *(as specified in the policy issued under subsection (a))*
18 *that increase the gravity of the minor misconduct or*
19 *the impact of such misconduct on good order and dis-*
20 *cipline.’’.*

21 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
22 *19 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended by*
23 *inserting after the item relating to section 1908 (as added*
24 *by this Act) the following:*

“1909. Safe-to-Report policy for Coast Guard.”.

1 **SEC. 506. MODIFICATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**
2 **ON COVERED MISCONDUCT IN COAST GUARD.**

3 (a) *ASSESSMENT OF POLICY ON COVERED MIS-*
4 *CONDUCT.*—Section 1902 of title 14, United States Code,
5 *is further amended—*

6 (1) *in the section heading by striking “Policy*
7 *on sexual harassment and sexual vio-*
8 *lence” and inserting “Academy policy and re-*
9 *port on covered misconduct”; and*

10 (2) *by striking subsections (c) through (e) and*
11 *inserting the following:*

12 “(c) *ASSESSMENT.*—

13 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commandant shall di-*
14 *rect the Superintendent of the Coast Guard Academy*
15 *to conduct at the Coast Guard Academy during each*
16 *Academy program year an assessment to determine*
17 *the effectiveness of the policies of the Academy with*
18 *respect to covered misconduct involving cadets or*
19 *other military or civilian personnel of the Academy.*

20 “(2) *BIENNIAL SURVEY.*—*For the assessment at*
21 *the Academy under paragraph (1) with respect to an*
22 *Academy program year that begins in an odd-num-*
23 *bered calendar year, the Superintendent shall conduct*
24 *a survey of cadets and other military and civilian*
25 *personnel of the Academy—*

1 “(A) to measure the incidence, during such
2 program year—

3 “(i) of covered misconduct events, on or
4 off the Academy campus, that have been re-
5 ported to an official of the Academy;

6 “(ii) of covered misconduct events, on
7 or off the Academy campus, that have not
8 been reported to an official of the Academy;
9 and

10 “(iii) of retaliation related to a report
11 of a covered misconduct event, on or off the
12 Academy campus; and

13 “(B) to assess the perceptions of the cadets
14 and other military and civilian personnel of the
15 Academy with respect to—

16 “(i) the Academy’s policies, training,
17 and procedures on covered misconduct in-
18 volving cadets and other military and civil-
19 ian personnel of the Academy;

20 “(ii) the enforcement of such policies;

21 “(iii) the incidence of covered mis-
22 conduct involving cadets and other military
23 and civilian personnel of the Academy; and

24 “(iv) any other issues relating to cov-
25 ered misconduct involving cadets and other

1 *military and civilian personnel of the Acad-*
2 *emy.*

3 “(d) *REPORT.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not earlier than 1 year after
5 *the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authoriza-*
6 *tion Act of 2025, and each March 1 thereafter through*
7 *March 1, 2031, the Commandant shall direct the Su-*
8 *perintendent to submit to the Commandant a report*
9 *on incidents of covered misconduct and retaliation for*
10 *reporting of covered misconduct involving cadets or*
11 *other military and civilian personnel of the Academy.*

12 “(2) *ELEMENTS.*—

13 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Each report required
14 *under paragraph (1) shall include the following:*

15 “(i) *Information and data on all inci-*
16 *dents of covered misconduct and retaliation*
17 *described in paragraph (1) reported to the*
18 *Superintendent or any other official of the*
19 *Academy during the preceding Academy*
20 *program year (referred to in this subsection*
21 *as a ‘reported incident’),*

22 “(ii) *The number of reported incidents*
23 *committed against a cadet or any other*
24 *military or civilian personnel of the Acad-*
25 *emy.*

1 “(iii) *The number of reported incidents*
2 *committed by a cadet or any other military*
3 *or civilian personnel of the Academy.*

4 “(iv) *Information on reported inci-*
5 *dents, in accordance with the policy pre-*
6 *scribed under section 549G(b) of the Na-*
7 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
8 *Year 2022 (10 U.S.C. 1561 note), to the*
9 *maximum extent practicable.*

10 “(v) *The number of reported incidents*
11 *that were entered into the Catch a Serial*
12 *Offender system, including the number of*
13 *such incidents that resulted in the identi-*
14 *fication of a potential or confirmed match.*

15 “(vi) *The number of reported incidents*
16 *that were substantiated (referred to in this*
17 *subsection as a ‘substantiated reported inci-*
18 *dent’).*

19 “(vii) *A synopsis of each substantiated*
20 *reported incident that includes—*

21 “(I) *a brief description of the na-*
22 *ture of the incident;*

23 “(II) *whether the accused cadet or*
24 *other military or civilian personnel of*

1 *the Academy had previously been con-*
2 *victed of sexual assault; and*

3 “(III) *whether alcohol or other*
4 *controlled or prohibited substances*
5 *were involved in the incident, and a*
6 *description of the involvement.*

7 “(viii) *The type of case disposition as-*
8 *sociated with each substantiated reported*
9 *incident, such as—*

10 “(I) *conviction and sentence by*
11 *court-martial, including charges and*
12 *specifications for which convicted;*

13 “(II) *acquittal of all charges at*
14 *court-martial;*

15 “(III) *as appropriate, imposition*
16 *of a nonjudicial punishment under sec-*
17 *tion 815 of title 10 (article 15 of the*
18 *Uniform Code of Military Justice);*

19 “(IV) *as appropriate, administra-*
20 *tive action taken, including a descrip-*
21 *tion of each type of such action im-*
22 *posed;*

23 “(V) *dismissal of all charges, in-*
24 *cluding a description of each reason for*

1 *dismissal and the stage at which dis-*
2 *missal occurred; and*

3 *“(VI) whether the accused cadet or*
4 *other military or civilian personnel of*
5 *the Academy was administratively sep-*
6 *arated or, in the case of an officer, al-*
7 *lowed to resign in lieu of court mar-*
8 *tial, and the characterization (honor-*
9 *able, general, or other than honorable)*
10 *of the service of the military member*
11 *upon separation or resignation.*

12 *“(ix) With respect to any incident of*
13 *covered misconduct involving cadets or other*
14 *military and civilian personnel of the Acad-*
15 *emy reported to the Superintendent or any*
16 *other official of the Academy during the*
17 *preceding Academy program year that in-*
18 *volves a report of retaliation relating to the*
19 *incident—*

20 *“(I) a narrative description of the*
21 *retaliation claim;*

22 *“(II) the nature of the relation-*
23 *ship between the complainant and the*
24 *individual accused of committing the*
25 *retaliation; and*

1 “(III) the nature of the relation-
2 ship between the individual accused of
3 committing the covered misconduct
4 and the individual accused of commit-
5 ting the retaliation.

6 “(x) With respect to any investigation
7 of a reported incident—

8 “(I) whether the investigation is
9 in open or completed status;

10 “(II) an identification of the in-
11 vestigating entity;

12 “(III) whether a referral has been
13 made to outside law enforcement enti-
14 ties;

15 “(IV) in the case of an investiga-
16 tion that is complete, a description of
17 the results of such an investigation and
18 information with respect to whether the
19 results of the investigation were pro-
20 vided to the complainant; and

21 “(V) whether the investigation
22 substantiated an offense under chapter
23 47 of title 10 (the Uniform Code of
24 Military Justice).

1 “(B) *FORMAT.*—With respect to the infor-
2 mation and data required under subparagraph
3 (A), the Commandant shall report such informa-
4 tion and data separately for each type of covered
5 misconduct offense, and shall not aggregate the
6 information and data for multiple types of cov-
7 ered misconduct offenses.

8 “(3) *TRENDS.*—Subject to subsection (f), begin-
9 ning on the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Au-
10 thorization Act of 2025, each report required under
11 paragraph (1) shall include an analysis of trends in
12 incidents described in paragraph (1), as applicable,
13 since the date of enactment of the Coast Guard and
14 Maritime Transportation Act of 2012 (Public Law
15 112–213).

16 “(4) *RESPONSE.*—Each report required under
17 paragraph (1) shall include, for the preceding Acad-
18 emy program year, a description of the policies, pro-
19 cedures, processes, initiatives, investigations (includ-
20 ing overarching investigations), research, or studies
21 implemented by the Commandant in response to any
22 incident described in paragraph (1) involving a cadet
23 or any other military or civilian personnel of the
24 Academy.

1 “(5) *PLAN*.—Each report required under para-
2 graph (1) shall include a plan for actions to be taken
3 during the year following the Academy program year
4 covered by the report to enhance the prevention of and
5 response to incidents of covered misconduct and retal-
6 iation for reporting of covered misconduct involving
7 cadets or other military or civilian personnel of the
8 Academy.

9 “(6) *COVERED MISCONDUCT PREVENTION AND*
10 *RESPONSE ACTIVITIES*.—Each report required under
11 paragraph (1) shall include an assessment of the ade-
12 quacy of covered misconduct prevention and response
13 carried out by the Academy during the preceding
14 Academy program year.

15 “(7) *CONTRIBUTING FACTORS*.—Each report re-
16 quired under paragraph (1) shall include, for inci-
17 dents of covered misconduct and retaliation for re-
18 porting of covered misconduct involving cadets or
19 other military or civilian personnel of the Academy—

20 “(A) an analysis of the factors that may
21 have contributed to such incidents;

22 “(B) an assessment of the role of such fac-
23 tors in contributing to such incidents during
24 such Academy program year; and

1 “(C) *recommendations for mechanisms to*
2 *eliminate or reduce such contributing factors.*

3 “(8) *BIENNIAL SURVEY.—Each report under*
4 *paragraph (1) for an Academy program year that be-*
5 *gins in an odd-numbered calendar year shall include*
6 *the results of the survey conducted under subsection*
7 *(c)(2) in such Academy program year.*

8 “(9) *FOCUS GROUPS.—For each Academy pro-*
9 *gram year with respect to which the Superintendent*
10 *is not required to conduct a survey at the Academy*
11 *under subsection (c)(2), the Commandant shall re-*
12 *quire focus groups to be conducted at the Academy for*
13 *the purpose of ascertaining information relating to*
14 *covered misconduct issues at the Academy.*

15 “(10) *SUBMISSION OF REPORT; BRIEFING.—*

16 “(A) *SUBMISSION.—Not later than 270*
17 *days after the date on which the Commandant*
18 *receives a report from the Superintendent under*
19 *paragraph (1), the Commandant shall submit to*
20 *the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
21 *Transportation of the Senate and the Committee*
22 *on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
23 *House of Representatives, as an enclosure or ap-*
24 *pendix to the report required by section 5112—*

25 “(i) *the report of the Superintendent;*

1 “(ii) the comments of the Commandant
2 with respect to the report; and

3 “(iii) relevant information gathered
4 during a focus group under subparagraph
5 (A) during the Academy program year cov-
6 ered by the report, as applicable.

7 “(B) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days
8 after the date on which the Commandant submits
9 a report under subparagraph (A), the Com-
10 mandant shall provide a briefing on the report
11 submitted under subparagraph (A) to—

12 “(i) the Committee on Commerce,
13 Science, and Transportation of the Senate
14 and the Committee on Transportation and
15 Infrastructure of the House of Representa-
16 tives; and

17 “(ii) the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
18 rity.

19 “(e) VICTIM CONFIDENTIALITY.—To the extent that in-
20 formation collected or reported under the authority of this
21 section, such information shall be provided in a form that
22 is consistent with applicable privacy protections under Fed-
23 eral law and does not jeopardize the confidentiality of vic-
24 tims.

1 “(f) *CONTINUITY OF DATA AND REPORTING.*—*In car-*
 2 *rying out this section, the Commandant shall ensure the*
 3 *continuity of data collection and reporting such that the*
 4 *ability to analyze trends is not compromised.*”.

5 (b) *COVERED MISCONDUCT IN COAST GUARD.*—*Sec-*
 6 *tion 5112 of title 14, United States Code, is amended to*
 7 *read as follows:*

8 **“§ 5112. Covered misconduct in Coast Guard**

9 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than March 1 each year,*
 10 *the Commandant shall submit to the Committee on Com-*
 11 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the*
 12 *Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
 13 *House of Representatives a report on incidents of covered*
 14 *misconduct involving members of the Coast Guard, includ-*
 15 *ing recruits and officer candidates, and claims of retalia-*
 16 *tion related to the reporting of any such incident.*

17 “(b) *CONTINUITY OF DATA AND REPORTING.*—*In car-*
 18 *rying out this section, the Commandant shall ensure the*
 19 *continuity of data collection and reporting such that the*
 20 *ability to analyze trends is not compromised.*

21 “(c) *CONTENTS.*—

22 “(1) *INCIDENTS INVOLVING MEMBERS.*—

23 “(A) *INFORMATION AND DATA.*—

24 “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*Each report re-*
 25 *quired under subsection (a) shall include,*

1 *for the preceding calendar year, informa-*
2 *tion and data on—*

3 “(I) incidents of covered mis-
4 conduct; and

5 “(II) incidents of retaliation
6 against a member of the Coast Guard
7 related to the reporting of covered mis-
8 conduct, disaggregated by type of retal-
9 iation claim.

10 “(ii) INCLUSIONS.—The information
11 and data on the incidents described in
12 clause (i) shall include the following:

13 “(I) All incidents of covered mis-
14 conduct and retaliation described in
15 clause (i) reported to the Commandant
16 or any other official of the Coast
17 Guard during the preceding calendar
18 year (referred to in this subsection as
19 a ‘reported incident’).

20 “(II) The number of reported inci-
21 dents committed against members of
22 the Coast Guard.

23 “(III) The number of reported in-
24 cidents committed by members of the
25 Coast Guard.

1 “(IV) *Information on reported in-*
2 *cidents, in accordance with the policy*
3 *prescribed under section 549G(b) of the*
4 *National Defense Authorization Act for*
5 *Fiscal Year 2022 (10 U.S.C. 1561*
6 *note), to the maximum extent prac-*
7 *ticable.*

8 “(V) *The number of reported inci-*
9 *dents that were entered into the Catch*
10 *a Serial Offender system, including the*
11 *number of such incidents that resulted*
12 *in the identification of a potential or*
13 *confirmed match.*

14 “(VI) *The number of reported in-*
15 *cidents that were substantiated (re-*
16 *ferred to in this subsection as a ‘sub-*
17 *stantiated reported incident’).*

18 “(VII) *A synopsis of each substan-*
19 *tiated reported incident that in-*
20 *cludes—*

21 “(aa) *a brief description of*
22 *the nature of the incident;*

23 “(bb) *whether the accused*
24 *member has previously been con-*
25 *victed of sexual assault; and*

1 “(cc) whether alcohol or other
2 controlled or prohibited substances
3 were involved in the incident, and
4 a description of the involvement.

5 “(VIII) The type of case disposi-
6 tion associated with each substantiated
7 reported incident, such as—

8 “(aa) conviction and sen-
9 tence by court-martial, including
10 charges and specifications for
11 which convicted;

12 “(bb) acquittal of all charges
13 at court-martial;

14 “(cc) as appropriate, imposi-
15 tion of a nonjudicial punishment
16 under section 815 of title 10 (arti-
17 cle 15 of the Uniform Code of
18 Military Justice);

19 “(dd) as appropriate, admin-
20 istrative action taken, including a
21 description of each type of such
22 action imposed;

23 “(ee) dismissal of all charges,
24 including a description of each

1 *reason for dismissal and the stage*
2 *at which dismissal occurred; and*

3 “(ff) *whether the accused*
4 *member was administratively sep-*
5 *arated or, in the case of an officer,*
6 *allowed to resign in lieu of court-*
7 *martial, and the characterization*
8 *(honorable, general, or other than*
9 *honorable) of the service of the*
10 *member upon separation or res-*
11 *ignation.*

12 “(IX) *With respect to any inci-*
13 *dent of covered misconduct reported to*
14 *the Commandant or any other official*
15 *of the Coast Guard during the pre-*
16 *ceding calendar year that involves a*
17 *report of retaliation relating to the in-*
18 *cident—*

19 “(aa) *a narrative description*
20 *of the retaliation claim;*

21 “(bb) *the nature of the rela-*
22 *tionship between the complainant*
23 *and the individual accused of*
24 *committing the retaliation; and*

1 “(cc) the nature of the rela-
2 tionship between the individual
3 accused of committing the covered
4 misconduct and the individual ac-
5 cused of committing the retalia-
6 tion.

7 “(X) The disposition of or action
8 taken by the Coast Guard or any other
9 Federal, State, local, or Tribal entity
10 with respect to a substantiated re-
11 ported incident.

12 “(XI) With respect to any inves-
13 tigation of a reported incident—

14 “(aa) the status of the inves-
15 tigation or information relating
16 to any referral to outside law en-
17 forcement entities;

18 “(bb) the official or office of
19 the Coast Guard that received the
20 complaint;

21 “(cc) a description of the re-
22 sults of such an investigation or
23 information with respect to
24 whether the results of the inves-

1 *tigation were provided to the com-*
2 *plainant; or*

3 *“(dd) whether the investiga-*
4 *tion substantiated an offense*
5 *under chapter 47 of title 10 (the*
6 *Uniform Code of Military Jus-*
7 *tice).*

8 *“(iii) FORMAT.—With respect to the*
9 *information and data required under clause*
10 *(i), the Commandant shall report such in-*
11 *formation and data separately for each type*
12 *of covered misconduct offense, and shall not*
13 *aggregate the information and data for*
14 *multiple types of covered misconduct of-*
15 *fenses.*

16 *“(B) TRENDS.—Subject to subsection (b),*
17 *beginning on the date of enactment of the Coast*
18 *Guard Authorization Act of 2025, each report re-*
19 *quired by subsection (a) shall include, for the*
20 *preceding calendar year, an analysis or assess-*
21 *ment of trends in the occurrence, as applicable,*
22 *of incidents described in subparagraph (A)(i),*
23 *since the date of enactment of the Coast Guard*
24 *and Maritime Transportation Act of 2012 (Pub-*
25 *lic Law 112–213).*

1 “(C) *RESPONSE.*—Each report required
2 under subsection (a) shall include, for the pre-
3 ceding calendar year, a description of the poli-
4 cies, procedures, processes, initiatives, investiga-
5 tions (including overarching investigations), re-
6 search, or studies implemented by the Com-
7 mandant in response to any incident described
8 in subparagraph (A)(i) involving a member of
9 the Coast Guard.

10 “(D) *PLAN.*—Each report required under
11 subsection (a) shall include a plan for actions to
12 be taken during the year following the year cov-
13 ered by the report to enhance the prevention of
14 and response to incidents described in subpara-
15 graph (A)(i) involving members of the Coast
16 Guard.

17 “(E) *COVERED MISCONDUCT PREVENTION*
18 *AND RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.*—Each report re-
19 quired under subsection (a) shall include an as-
20 sessment of the adequacy of covered misconduct
21 prevention and response activities related to in-
22 cidents described in subparagraph (A)(i) carried
23 out by the Coast Guard during the preceding cal-
24 endar year.

1 “(F) *CONTRIBUTING FACTORS.*—*Each re-*
 2 *port required under subsection (a) shall include,*
 3 *for incidents described in subparagraph (A)(i)—*

4 “(i) *an analysis of the factors that*
 5 *may have contributed to such incidents;*

6 “(ii) *an assessment of the role of such*
 7 *factors in contributing to such incidents*
 8 *during such year; and*

9 “(iii) *recommendations for mecha-*
 10 *nisms to eliminate or reduce such contrib-*
 11 *uting factors.*

12 “(2) *INCIDENTS INVOLVING RECRUITS AND OFFI-*
 13 *CER CANDIDATES.*—

14 “(A) *INFORMATION AND DATA.*—

15 “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subject to sub-*
 16 *section (b), each report required under sub-*
 17 *section (a) shall include, as a separate ap-*
 18 *pendix or enclosure, for the preceding cal-*
 19 *endar year, information and data on—*

20 “(I) *incidents of covered mis-*
 21 *conduct involving a recruit of the*
 22 *Coast Guard at Training Center Cape*
 23 *May or an officer candidate at the*
 24 *Coast Guard Officer Candidate School;*
 25 *and*

1 “(II) incidents of retaliation
2 against such a recruit or officer can-
3 didate related to the reporting of cov-
4 ered misconduct, disaggregated by type
5 of retaliation claim.

6 “(ii) INCLUSIONS.—

7 “(I) IN GENERAL.—The informa-
8 tion and data on the incidents de-
9 scribed in clause (i) shall include the
10 following:

11 “(aa) All incidents of covered
12 misconduct and retaliation de-
13 scribed in clause (i) reported to
14 the Commandant or any other of-
15 ficial of the Coast Guard during
16 the preceding calendar year (re-
17 ferred to in this subsection as a
18 ‘reported incident’).

19 “(bb) The number of reported
20 incidents committed against re-
21 cruits and officer candidates de-
22 scribed in clause (i)(I).

23 “(cc) The number of reported
24 incidents committed by such re-
25 cruits and officer candidates.

1 “(dd) Information on re-
2 ported incidents, in accordance
3 with the policy prescribed under
4 section 549G(b) of the National
5 Defense Authorization Act for Fis-
6 cal Year 2022 (10 U.S.C. 1561
7 note), to the maximum extent
8 practicable.

9 “(ee)(AA) The number of re-
10 ported incidents that were entered
11 into the Catch a Serial Offender
12 system.

13 “(BB) Of such reported
14 incidents entered into such
15 system, the number that re-
16 sulted in the identification of
17 a potential or confirmed
18 match.

19 “(ff) The number of reported
20 incidents that were substantiated
21 (referred to in this subsection as a
22 ‘substantiated reported incident’).

23 “(gg) A synopsis of each sub-
24 stantiated reported incident that
25 includes—

1 “(AA) a brief descrip-
2 tion of the nature of the inci-
3 dent; and

4 “(BB) whether alcohol
5 or other controlled or prohib-
6 ited substances were involved
7 in the incident, and a de-
8 scription of the involvement.

9 “(hh) The type of case dis-
10 position associated with each sub-
11 stantiated reported incident, such
12 as—

13 “(AA) conviction and
14 sentence by court-martial, in-
15 cluding charges and speci-
16 fications for which convicted;

17 “(BB) acquittal of all
18 charges at court-martial;

19 “(CC) as appropriate,
20 imposition of a nonjudicial
21 punishment under section
22 815 of title 10 (article 15 of
23 the Uniform Code of Military
24 Justice);

1 “(DD) as appropriate,
2 administrative action taken,
3 including a description of
4 each type of such action im-
5 posed;

6 “(EE) dismissal of all
7 charges, including a descrip-
8 tion of each reason for dis-
9 missal and the stage at
10 which dismissal occurred;
11 and

12 “(FF) whether the ac-
13 cused member was adminis-
14 tratively separated or, in the
15 case of an officer, allowed to
16 resign in lieu of court-mar-
17 tial, and the characterization
18 (honorable, general, or other
19 than honorable) of the service
20 of the member upon separa-
21 tion or resignation.

22 “(ii) With respect to any in-
23 cident of covered misconduct in-
24 volving recruits or officer can-
25 didates reported to the Com-

1 *mandant or any other official of*
2 *the Coast Guard during the pre-*
3 *ceding calendar year that involves*
4 *a report of retaliation relating to*
5 *the incident—*

6 *“(AA) a narrative de-*
7 *scription of the retaliation*
8 *claim;*

9 *“(BB) the nature of the*
10 *relationship between the com-*
11 *plainant and the individual*
12 *accused of committing the re-*
13 *taliation; and*

14 *“(CC) the nature of the*
15 *relationship between the in-*
16 *dividual accused of commit-*
17 *ting the covered misconduct*
18 *and the individual accused of*
19 *committing the retaliation.*

20 *“(jj) The disposition of or ac-*
21 *tion taken by the Coast Guard or*
22 *any other Federal, State, local, or*
23 *Tribal entity with respect to a*
24 *substantiated reported incident.*

1 “(kk) With respect to any in-
2 vestigation of a reported inci-
3 dent—

4 “(AA) the status of the
5 investigation or information
6 relating to any referral to
7 outside law enforcement enti-
8 ties;

9 “(BB) the official or of-
10 fice of the Coast Guard that
11 received the complaint;

12 “(CC) a description of
13 the results of such an inves-
14 tigation or information with
15 respect to whether the results
16 of the investigation were pro-
17 vided to the complainant; or

18 “(DD) whether the in-
19 vestigation substantiated an
20 offense under chapter 47 of
21 title 10 (the Uniform Code of
22 Military Justice).

23 “(II) *FORMAT*.—With respect to
24 the information and data required
25 under clause (i), the Commandant

1 *shall report such information and data*
2 *separately for each type of covered mis-*
3 *conduct offense, and shall not aggregate*
4 *the information and data for multiple*
5 *types of covered misconduct offenses.*

6 “(B) *TRENDS.*—Subject to subsection (b),
7 *beginning on the date of enactment of Coast*
8 *Guard Authorization Act of 2025, each report re-*
9 *quired by subsection (a) shall include, for the*
10 *preceding calendar year, an analysis or assess-*
11 *ment of trends in the occurrence, as applicable,*
12 *of incidents described in subparagraph (A)(i),*
13 *since the date of enactment of the Coast Guard*
14 *and Maritime Transportation Act of 2012 (Pub-*
15 *lic Law 112–213).*

16 “(C) *RESPONSE.*—Each report required
17 *under subsection (a) shall include, for the pre-*
18 *ceding calendar year, a description of the poli-*
19 *cies, procedures, processes, initiatives, investiga-*
20 *tions (including overarching investigations), re-*
21 *search, or studies implemented by the Com-*
22 *mandant in response to any incident described*
23 *in subparagraph (A)(i) involving—*

24 “(i) *a recruit of the Coast Guard at*
25 *Training Center Cape May; or*

1 “(ii) an officer candidate at the Coast
2 Guard Officer Candidate School.

3 “(D) *PLAN.*—Each report required under
4 subsection (a) shall include a plan for actions to
5 be taken during the year following the year cov-
6 ered by the report to enhance the prevention of
7 and response to incidents described in subpara-
8 graph (A)(i) involving a recruit of the Coast
9 Guard at Training Center Cape May or an offi-
10 cer candidate at the Coast Guard Officer Can-
11 didate School.

12 “(E) *COVERED MISCONDUCT PREVENTION*
13 *AND RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.*—Each report re-
14 quired under subsection (a) shall include an as-
15 sessment of the adequacy of covered misconduct
16 prevention and response activities related to in-
17 cidents described in subparagraph (A)(i) of this
18 paragraph carried out by the Coast Guard dur-
19 ing the preceding calendar year.

20 “(F) *CONTRIBUTING FACTORS.*—Each re-
21 port required under subsection (a) shall include,
22 for incidents described in subparagraph (A)(i)—

23 “(i) an analysis of the factors that
24 may have contributed to such incidents;

1 “(ii) an assessment of the role of such
2 factors in contributing to such incidents
3 during such year; and

4 “(iii) recommendations for mecha-
5 nisms to eliminate or reduce such contrib-
6 uting factors.

7 “(3) *IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF ACCOUNT-*
8 *ABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY REVIEW DIRECTED AC-*
9 *TIONS.—Each report required under subsection (a)*
10 *submitted during the 5-year period beginning on*
11 *March 1, 2025, shall include information on the im-*
12 *plementation by the Commandant of the directed ac-*
13 *tions described in the memorandum of the Coast*
14 *Guard titled ‘Commandant’s Directed Actions—Ac-*
15 *countability and Transparency’, issued on November*
16 *27, 2023, including—*

17 “(A) a description of actions taken to ad-
18 dress each directed action during the year cov-
19 ered by the report;

20 “(B) the implementation status of each di-
21 rected action;

22 “(C) in the case of any directed action that
23 has not been implemented—

24 “(i) a detailed action plan for imple-
25 mentation of the recommendation;

1 “(ii) *an estimated timeline for imple-*
2 *mentation of the recommendation;*

3 “(iii) *description of changes the Com-*
4 *mandant intends to make to associated*
5 *Coast Guard policies so as to enable the im-*
6 *plementation of the recommendation; and*

7 “(iv) *any other information the Com-*
8 *mandant considers appropriate;*

9 “(D) *a description of the metrics and mile-*
10 *stones used to measure completion, account-*
11 *ability, and effectiveness of each directed action;*

12 “(E) *a description of any additional ac-*
13 *tions the Commandant is taking to mitigate in-*
14 *stances of covered misconduct within the Coast*
15 *Guard;*

16 “(F) *any legislative change proposal nec-*
17 *essary to implement the directed actions; and*

18 “(G) *a detailed list of funding necessary to*
19 *implement the directed actions in a timely and*
20 *effective manner, including a list of personnel*
21 *needed for such implementation.*

22 “(d) *VICTIM CONFIDENTIALITY.—To the extent that in-*
23 *formation collected under the authority of this section is*
24 *reported or otherwise made available to the public, such in-*
25 *formation shall be provided in a form that is consistent*

1 *with applicable privacy protections under Federal law and*
 2 *does not jeopardize the confidentiality of victims.*

3 “(e) *SUBSTANTIATED DEFINED.*—*In this section, the*
 4 *term ‘substantiated’ has the meaning given the term under*
 5 *section 1631(c) of the Ike Skelton National Defense Author-*
 6 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 (10 U.S.C. 1561 note).”.*

7 (c) *CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.*—

8 (1) *CHAPTER 19.*—*The analysis for chapter 19 of*
 9 *title 14, United States Code, is amended by striking*
 10 *the item relating to section 1902 and inserting the*
 11 *following:*

“1902. Academy policy and report on covered misconduct.”.

12 (2) *CHAPTER 51.*—*The analysis for chapter 51 of*
 13 *title 14, United States Code, is amended by striking*
 14 *the item relating to section 5112 and inserting the*
 15 *following:*

“5112. Covered misconduct in the Coast Guard.”.

16 **SEC. 507. MODIFICATIONS TO THE OFFICER INVOLUNTARY**
 17 **SEPARATION PROCESS.**

18 (a) *REVIEW OF RECORDS.*—*Section 2158 of title 14,*
 19 *United States Code, is amended in the matter preceding*
 20 *paragraph (1) by striking “may at any time convene a*
 21 *board of officers” and inserting “shall prescribe, by regula-*
 22 *tion, procedures”.*

23 (b) *BOARDS OF INQUIRY.*—*Section 2159(c) of title 14,*
 24 *United States Code, is amended by striking “send the record*

1 of its proceedings to a board of review” and inserting “rec-
 2 ommend to the Secretary that the officer not be retained
 3 on active duty”.

4 (c) *REPEAL OF BOARDS OF REVIEW.*—Section 2160 of
 5 title 14, United States Code, is repealed.

6 (d) *TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—

7 (1) Title 14, United States Code, is amended—

8 (A) in section 2161 by striking “section
 9 2158, 2159, or 2160” each place it appears and
 10 inserting “section 2158 or 2159”;

11 (B) in section 2163, in the first sentence by
 12 striking “board of review under section 2160 of
 13 this title” and inserting “board of inquiry under
 14 section 2159 of this title”; and

15 (C) in section 2164(a), in the matter pre-
 16 ceding paragraph (1), by striking “or 2160”.

17 (2) The analysis at the beginning of chapter 21
 18 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by strik-
 19 ing the item relating to section 2160.

20 **SEC. 508. REVIEW OF DISCHARGE CHARACTERIZATION.**

21 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter I of chapter 25 of title
 22 14, United States Code, is further amended by adding at
 23 the end the following:

24 **“§ 2519. Review of discharge characterization**

25 “(a) *DOWNGRADE.*—

1 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The decision to conduct a*
2 *case review under this section shall be at the discre-*
3 *tion of the Secretary of the department in which the*
4 *Coast Guard is operating.*

5 “(2) *BOARD OF REVIEW.*—*In addition to the re-*
6 *quirements of section 1553 of title 10, a board of re-*
7 *view for a former member of the Coast Guard estab-*
8 *lished pursuant to such section and under part 51 of*
9 *title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on*
10 *the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authoriza-*
11 *tion Act of 2025), may upon a motion of the board*
12 *and subject to review by the Secretary of the depart-*
13 *ment in which the Coast Guard is operating, down-*
14 *grade an honorable discharge to a general (under hon-*
15 *orable conditions) discharge upon a finding that a*
16 *former member of the Coast Guard, while serving on*
17 *active duty as a member of the armed forces, com-*
18 *mitted sexual assault or sexual harassment in viola-*
19 *tion of section 920, 920b, or 934 of title 10 (article*
20 *120, 120b, or 134 of the Uniform Code of Military*
21 *Justice).*

22 “(3) *EVIDENCE.*—*Any downgrade under para-*
23 *graph (2) shall be supported by clear and convincing*
24 *evidence.*

1 “(4) *LIMITATION.*—*The review board under*
2 *paragraph (2) may not downgrade a discharge of a*
3 *former member of the Coast Guard if the same action*
4 *described in paragraph (2) was considered prior to*
5 *separation from active duty by an administrative*
6 *board in determining the characterization of dis-*
7 *charge as otherwise provided by law and in accord-*
8 *ance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of*
9 *the department in which the Coast Guard is oper-*
10 *ating.*

11 “(b) *PROCEDURAL RIGHTS.*—

12 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*A review by a board estab-*
13 *lished under section 1553 of title 10 and under part*
14 *51 of title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (as in ef-*
15 *fect on the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Au-*
16 *thorization Act of 2025), shall be based on the records*
17 *of the Coast Guard, and with respect to a member*
18 *who also served in another one of the armed forces,*
19 *the records of the armed forces concerned and such*
20 *other evidence as may be presented to the board.*

21 “(2) *EVIDENCE BY WITNESS.*—*A witness may*
22 *present evidence to the board in person or by affi-*
23 *davit.*

24 “(3) *APPEARANCE BEFORE BOARD.*—*A person*
25 *who requests a review under this section may appear*

1 *before the board in person or by counsel or an accred-*
2 *ited representative of an organization recognized by*
3 *the Secretary of Veterans Affairs under chapter 59 of*
4 *title 38.*

5 “(4) *NOTIFICATION.*—*A former member of the*
6 *Coast Guard who is subject to a downgrade in dis-*
7 *charge characterization review under subsection (a)*
8 *shall be notified in writing of such proceedings, af-*
9 *forded the right to obtain copies of records and docu-*
10 *ments relevant to the proceedings, and the right to ap-*
11 *pear before the board in person or by counsel or an*
12 *accredited representative of an organization recog-*
13 *nized by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs under*
14 *chapter 59 of title 38.”.*

15 *(b) RULEMAKING.*—

16 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 90 days after*
17 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
18 *shall initiate a rulemaking to implement this section.*

19 “(2) *DEADLINE FOR REGULATIONS.*—*The regula-*
20 *tions issued under paragraph (1) shall take effect not*
21 *later than 180 days after the date on which the Com-*
22 *mandant promulgates a final rule pursuant to such*
23 *paragraph.*

1 (c) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
 2 *25 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended by*
 3 *adding at the end the following:*

“2519. Review of discharge characterization.”.

4 **SEC. 509. CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER AS GROUNDS FOR DE-**
 5 **NIAL.**

6 *Section 7511(a) of title 46, United States Code, is*
 7 *amended—*

8 (1) *in paragraph (1) by striking “or”;*

9 (2) *in paragraph (2) by striking “State, local, or*
 10 *Tribal law” and inserting “Federal, State, local, or*
 11 *Tribal law”;*

12 (3) *by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-*
 13 *graph (3); and*

14 (4) *by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-*
 15 *lowing:*

16 *“(2) section 920 or 920b of title 10 (article 120*
 17 *and 120b of the Uniform Code of Military Justice);*
 18 *or”.*

19 **SEC. 510. DEFINITION OF COVERED MISCONDUCT.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subchapter I of chapter 25 of title*
 21 *14, United States Code, is further amended by adding at*
 22 *the end the following:*

23 **“§ 2520. Covered misconduct defined**

24 *“In this title, the term ‘covered misconduct’ means—*

1 “(1) rape and sexual assault, as described in sec-
2 tions 920(a) and 920(b) of title 10 (articles 120(a)
3 and 120(b) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice);

4 “(2) sexual harassment, as described in Execu-
5 tive Order 14062 dated January 26, 2022, and enu-
6 merated under section 934 of title 10 (article 134 of
7 the Uniform Code of Military Justice);

8 “(3) abusive sexual contact and aggravated sex-
9 ual contact, as described in sections 920(c) and
10 920(d) of title 10 (articles 120(c) and 120(d) of the
11 Uniform Code of Military Justice);

12 “(4) wrongful broadcast, dissemination, or cre-
13 ation of content as described in sections 917 and 920c
14 of title 10 (articles 117a and 120c of the Uniform
15 Code of Military Justice);

16 “(5) the child pornography offenses as described
17 in section 934 of title 10 (article 134 of the Uniform
18 Code of Military Justice);

19 “(6) rape and sexual assault of a child, other
20 sexual misconduct, and stalking, as described in sec-
21 tions 920b, 920c(a), and 930 of title 10 (articles 120b,
22 120c, and 130 of the Uniform Code of Military Jus-
23 tice); and

1 “(7) domestic violence, as described in section
2 928b of title 10 (article 128b of the Uniform Code of
3 Military Justice).”.

4 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter
5 25 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended by
6 adding at the end the following:

 “2520. Covered misconduct defined.”.

7 **SEC. 511. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO UNIFORM CODE**
8 **OF MILITARY JUSTICE OR MANUAL FOR**
9 **COURTS MARTIAL RELATING TO COVERED**
10 **MISCONDUCT.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 51 of title 14, United
12 States Code, is further amended by adding at the end the
13 following:

14 **“§5117. Notification of changes to Uniform Code of**
15 **Military Justice or Manual for Courts**
16 **Martial relating to covered misconduct**

17 “Beginning on March 30, 2026, and annually there-
18 after, the Commandant shall notify the Committee on Com-
19 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the
20 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the
21 House of Representatives with respect to each of the fol-
22 lowing:

23 “(1) Whether the Uniform Code of Military Jus-
24 tice (chapter 47 of title 10) has been amended—

1 “(A) to add any sex-related offense as a new
2 article; or

3 “(B) to remove an article relating to cov-
4 ered misconduct described in any of paragraphs
5 (1) through (7) of section 301.

6 “(2) Whether the Manual for Courts Martial has
7 been modified—

8 “(A) to add any sex-related offense as an of-
9 fense described under an article of the Uniform
10 Code of Military Justice; or

11 “(B) to remove as an offense described
12 under an article of the Uniform Code of Military
13 Justice covered misconduct described in any of
14 paragraphs (1) through (7) of section 301.”.

15 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for chapter
16 51 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by adding
17 at the end the following:

 “5117. Notification of changes to Uniform Code of Military Justice Or Manual
 for Courts Martial relating to covered misconduct.”.

18 **SEC. 512. COMPLAINTS OF RETALIATION BY VICTIMS OF**
19 **SEXUAL ASSAULT OR SEXUAL HARASSMENT**
20 **AND RELATED PERSONS.**

21 Section 1562a of title 10, United States Code, is
22 amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) by striking “The Secretary of Defense
2 shall” and inserting the following:

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense
4 shall”; and

5 (B) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(2) COAST GUARD.—The Secretary of the de-
7 partment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall
8 designate the Commandant of the Coast Guard to be
9 responsible for carrying out the requirements of this
10 section with respect to members of the Coast Guard
11 when the Coast Guard is not operating as a service
12 in the Navy.”;

13 (2) in subsection (b)—

14 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)
15 by inserting “and the Commandant of the Coast
16 Guard” after “Secretary”;

17 (B) in paragraph (8) by inserting before the
18 period at the end “or with respect to the Coast
19 Guard, the component designated by the Com-
20 mandant of the Coast Guard”; and

21 (C) in paragraph (4) by striking “Depart-
22 ment of Defense”; and

23 (3) in subsection (c)(2)—

24 (A) in subparagraph (A) by inserting “, the
25 Inspector General of the Department of Home-

1 *land Security,” before “or any other inspector*
 2 *general”;*

3 *(B) in subparagraph (D) by striking “mili-*
 4 *tary” and inserting “armed force”; and*

5 *(C) in subparagraph (E) by inserting “or*
 6 *department in which the Coast Guard is oper-*
 7 *ating when not operating as a service in the*
 8 *Navy for members of the Coast Guard” after*
 9 *“Department of Defense”.*

10 ***SEC. 513. DEVELOPMENT OF POLICIES ON MILITARY PRO-***
 11 ***TECTIVE ORDERS.***

12 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
 13 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
 14 *shall issue updated policies of the Coast Guard relat-*
 15 *ing to military protective orders that are consistent*
 16 *with the law and policies of the Department of De-*
 17 *fense.*

18 *(2) ELEMENTS.—The policies developed under*
 19 *paragraph (1) shall require—*

20 *(A) that any denial of a request for a mili-*
 21 *tary protective order shall include a written ex-*
 22 *planation for the denial, which shall be—*

23 *(i) forwarded to the next flag officer in*
 24 *the chain of command of the commanding*

1 officer or other approving authority who de-
2 nied the request; and

3 (ii) provided to the member who sub-
4 mitted the request; and

5 (B) the refusal of an approving authority
6 from participating in the granting or denying of
7 a military protective order, if such authority
8 was, at any time—

9 (i) the subject of a complaint of any
10 form of assault, harassment, or retaliation
11 filed by the member requesting the military
12 protective order or the member who is the
13 subject of the military protective order; or

14 (ii) associated with the member re-
15 questing the military protective order or the
16 member who is the subject of the military
17 protective order in a manner that presents
18 as an actual or apparent conflict of interest.

19 (3) *NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.*—The Com-
20 mandant shall develop a policy to ensure that sexual
21 assault response coordinators, victim advocates, and
22 other appropriate personnel shall inform victims of
23 the process by which the victim may request an expe-
24 dited transfer, a no-contact order, or a military or ci-
25 vilian protective order.

1 **SEC. 514. COAST GUARD IMPLEMENTATION OF INDE-**
2 **PENDENT REVIEW COMMISSION REC-**
3 **OMMENDATIONS ON ADDRESSING SEXUAL**
4 **ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE**
5 **MILITARY.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
7 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall review
8 the report of the Independent Review Commission titled
9 “Hard Truths and the Duty to Change: Recommendations
10 from the Independent Review Commission on Sexual As-
11 sault in the Military” referred to in the memorandum of
12 the Department of Defense titled “Memorandum for Senior
13 Pentagon Leadership Commanders of the Combatant Com-
14 mands Defense Agency and DoD Field Activity Directors”,
15 dated September 22, 2021, (relating to commencing Depart-
16 ment of Defense actions and implementation of the rec-
17 ommendations of the Independent Review Commission to
18 address sexual assault and sexual harassment in the mili-
19 tary).

20 (b) *STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN.*—On completion of
21 the review required under subsection (a), and not later than
22 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
23 mandant shall submit to the Committee on Commerce,
24 Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Com-
25 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House
26 of Representatives a strategy and action plan that—

1 (1)(A) identifies any recommendation set forth
2 in the report by the Independent Review Commission
3 described in subsection (a) that addresses a matter
4 that is not within the jurisdiction of the Coast Guard,
5 does not apply to the Coast Guard, or otherwise
6 would not be beneficial to members of the Coast
7 Guard, as determined by the Commandant; and

8 (B) includes a brief rationale for such deter-
9 mination; and

10 (2) with respect to each recommendation set forth
11 in such report that is not identified under paragraph
12 (1), includes—

13 (A)(i) a detailed action plan for implemen-
14 tation of the recommendation;

15 (ii) a description of changes the Com-
16 mandant will make to associated Coast
17 Guard policies so as to enable the imple-
18 mentation of the recommendation;

19 (iii) an estimated timeline for imple-
20 mentation of the recommendation;

21 (iv) the estimated cost of the implemen-
22 tation;

23 (v) legislative proposals for such imple-
24 mentation, as appropriate; and

1 (vi) any other information the Com-
2 mandant considers appropriate; or

3 (B) in the case of such a recommendation
4 that the Commandant is unable to implement,
5 an explanation of the reason the recommendation
6 cannot be implemented.

7 (c) *BRIEFING*.—Not later than 90 days after the date
8 of enactment of this Act, and every 180 days thereafter
9 through 2028, the Commandant shall provide the Com-
10 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
11 Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
12 structure of the House of Representatives with a briefing
13 on the status of the implementation of this section and any
14 modification to the strategy and plan submitted under sub-
15 section (b).

16 **SEC. 515. POLICY RELATING TO CARE AND SUPPORT OF**
17 **VICTIMS OF COVERED MISCONDUCT.**

18 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Not later than 180 days after the
19 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall issue
20 Coast Guard policy relating to the care and support of
21 members of the Coast Guard who are alleged victims covered
22 misconduct.

23 (b) *ELEMENTS*.—The policy required by subsection (a)
24 shall require, to the maximum extent practicable, that—

1 (1) *a member of the Coast Guard who is an al-*
2 *leged victim of covered misconduct and discloses such*
3 *covered misconduct to the appropriate individual of*
4 *the Coast Guard responsible for providing victim care*
5 *and support—*

6 *(A) shall receive care and support from such*
7 *individual; and*

8 *(B) such individual shall not deny or un-*
9 *reasonably delay providing care and support;*
10 *and*

11 (2) *in the case of such an alleged victim to whom*
12 *care and support cannot be provided by the appro-*
13 *priate individual contacted by the alleged victim*
14 *based on programmatic eligibility criteria or any*
15 *other reason that affects the ability of such appro-*
16 *priate individual to provide care and support (such*
17 *as being stationed at a remote unit or serving on a*
18 *vessel currently underway) the alleged victim shall re-*
19 *ceive, with the permission of the alleged victim—*

20 *(A) an in-person introduction to appro-*
21 *priate service providers, for which the alleged*
22 *victim is physically present, which shall occur at*
23 *the discretion of the alleged victim; and*

24 *(B) access to follow-up services from the ap-*
25 *propriate 1 or more service providers.*

1 (c) *APPLICABILITY.*—*The policy issued under sub-*
2 *section (a) shall apply to—*

3 (1) *all Coast Guard personnel responsible for the*
4 *care and support of victims of covered misconduct;*
5 *and*

6 (2) *any other Coast Guard personnel the Com-*
7 *mandant considers appropriate.*

8 (d) *REVISION OF POLICY RELATING TO DOMESTIC*
9 *ABUSE.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date of enact-*
10 *ment of this Act, the Commandant shall issue or revise any*
11 *Coast Guard policy or process relating to domestic abuse*
12 *so as to define the term “intimate partner” to have the*
13 *meaning given such term in section 930 of title 10, United*
14 *States Code.*

15 (e) *TRAINING.*—

16 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*All Coast Guard personnel re-*
17 *sponsible for the care and support of members of the*
18 *Coast Guard who are alleged victims of covered mis-*
19 *conduct shall receive training in accordance with pro-*
20 *fessional standards of practice to ensure that such al-*
21 *leged victims receive adequate care that is consistent*
22 *with the policy issued under subsection (a).*

23 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—*The training required by para-*
24 *graph (1)—*

25 (A) *shall include—*

1 (i) instructions on specific procedures
2 for implementing the policy issued under
3 subsection (a); and

4 (ii) information on resources and per-
5 sonnel critical for the implementation of
6 such policy; and

7 (B) to the maximum extent practicable,
8 shall be provided in person.

9 (f) COVERED MISCONDUCT.—In this section, the term
10 “covered misconduct” shall have the meaning given such
11 term in section 2519 of title 14, United States Code (as
12 added by this Act).

13 **SEC. 516. ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL VICTIM CAPABILI-**
14 **TIES TO RESPOND TO ALLEGATIONS OF CER-**
15 **TAIN SPECIAL VICTIM OFFENSES.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 573 of the National Defense
17 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (10 U.S.C. 1561
18 note) is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a)—

20 (A) by inserting “or the Secretary of the de-
21 partment in which the Coast Guard is operating
22 when not operating as a service in the Navy”
23 after “Secretary of Defense”; and

1 (B) by striking “Secretary of each military
2 department” and inserting “Secretary con-
3 cerned”;

4 (2) in subsection (b) by striking “or Air Force
5 Office of Special Investigations” and inserting “, Air
6 Force Office of Special Investigations, or Coast Guard
7 Investigative Services”;

8 (3) in subsection (c) by inserting “or the Sec-
9 retary of the department in which the Coast Guard
10 is operating when not operating as a service in the
11 Navy” after “Secretary of Defense”;

12 (4) in subsection (d)—

13 (A) in paragraph (1)—

14 (i) by inserting “or the Commandant
15 of the Coast Guard” after “Secretary of a
16 military department”; and

17 (ii) by inserting “or the Coast Guard”
18 after “within the military department”;

19 (B) in paragraph (2) by inserting “or the
20 Coast Guard” after “within a military depart-
21 ment”; and

22 (5) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(h) TIME FOR ESTABLISHMENT FOR COAST
24 GUARD.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enact-
25 ment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025, the

1 *Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is*
2 *operating, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on*
3 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and*
4 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
5 *House of Representatives a report containing all the items*
6 *described in subsections (e) and (f) as applied to the Coast*
7 *Guard.’’.*

8 (b) *BRIEFING.*—*Not later than 270 days after the date*
9 *of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall provide the*
10 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
11 *the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and In-*
12 *frastructure of the House of Representatives with a briefing*
13 *on the Commandant’s assessment and implementation, as*
14 *appropriate, of the recommendations included in the Center*
15 *for Naval Analyses report titled “Assessing the USCG’s*
16 *Special Victims’ Counsel Program”, issued in June 2024,*
17 *including—*

18 (1) *the implementation status of each adopted*
19 *recommendation, as appropriate;*

20 (2) *for each adopted recommendation, a descrip-*
21 *tion of actions taken to implement such recommenda-*
22 *tion;*

23 (3) *in the case of an adopted recommendation*
24 *that has not been fully implemented—*

1 (A) a description of actions taken or
2 planned to address such recommendation;

3 (B) an estimated completion date; and

4 (C) a description of the milestones necessary
5 to complete the recommendation;

6 (4) a description of any recommendation that
7 will not be adopted and an explanation of the reason
8 the recommendation will not be adopted;

9 (5) a description of the metrics and milestones
10 used to ensure completion and effectiveness of each
11 adopted recommendation;

12 (6) a description of any additional actions the
13 Commandant is taking to improve the efficiency and
14 effectiveness of the Special Victims' Counsel program
15 of the Coast Guard;

16 (7) any legislative change proposal necessary to
17 implement the adopted recommendations; and

18 (8) an overview of any funding or resource nec-
19 essary to implement each adopted recommendation in
20 a timely and effective manner, including a list of per-
21 sonnel needed for such implementation.

1 **SEC. 517. MEMBERS ASSERTING POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS**
2 **DISORDER, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR TRAUMATIC**
3 **BRAIN INJURY.**

4 *Section 2516 of title 14, United States Code, is amend-*
5 *ed—*

6 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

7 *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

8 *(i) by striking “or has been sexually*
9 *assaulted during the preceding 2-year pe-*
10 *riod”; and*

11 *(ii) by striking “or based on such sex-*
12 *ual assault, the influence of” and inserting*
13 *“the signs and symptoms of either”;*

14 *(B) by redesignating paragraphs (2)*
15 *through (4) as paragraphs (3) through (5), re-*
16 *spectively;*

17 *(C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-*
18 *lowing:*

19 *“(2) MENTAL, BEHAVIORAL, OR EMOTIONAL DIS-*
20 *ORDER.—A member of the Coast Guard who has been*
21 *sexually assaulted during the preceding 5-year period*
22 *and who alleges, based on such sexual assault, the*
23 *signs and symptoms of a diagnosable mental, behav-*
24 *ioral, or emotional disorder described within the most*
25 *recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Man-*

1 *ual of Mental Disorders published by the American*
2 *Psychiatric Association—*

3 “(A) is provided the opportunity to request
4 a medical examination to clinically evaluate
5 such signs and symptoms; and

6 “(B) receives such a medical examination to
7 evaluate a diagnosis of post-traumatic stress dis-
8 order, traumatic brain injury, or diagnosable
9 mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder de-
10 scribed within the most recent edition of the Di-
11 agnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Dis-
12 orders published by the American Psychiatric
13 Association.”;

14 (D) in paragraph (3) by striking “para-
15 graph (1)” and inserting “this subsection”; and

16 (E) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—

17 (i) by inserting “or a diagnosable men-
18 tal, behavioral, or emotional disorder” be-
19 fore “under this subsection”;

20 (ii) by inserting “performed by” after
21 “shall be”; and

22 (iii) by striking subparagraphs (A)
23 and (B) and inserting the following:

24 “(A) a board-certified psychiatrist;

25 “(B) a licensed doctorate-level psychologist;

1 “(C) *any other appropriate licensed or cer-*
 2 *tified healthcare professional designated by the*
 3 *Commandant; or*

4 “(D) *a psychiatry resident or board-eligible*
 5 *psychologist who—*

6 “(i) *has completed a 1-year internship*
 7 *or residency; and*

8 “(ii) *is under the close supervision of*
 9 *a board-certified psychiatrist or licensed*
 10 *doctorate-level psychologist.”;*

11 (2) *in subsection (b) by inserting “or a*
 12 *diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional dis-*
 13 *order” after “traumatic brain injury”; and*

14 (3) *by adding at the end the following:*

15 “(e) *NOTIFICATION OF RIGHT TO REQUEST MEDICAL*
 16 *EXAMINATION.—*

17 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—Any member of the Coast*
 18 *Guard who receives a notice of involuntary adminis-*
 19 *trative separation shall be advised at the time of such*
 20 *notice of the right of the member to request a medical*
 21 *examination under subsection (a) if any condition de-*
 22 *scribed in such subsection applies to the member.*

23 “(2) *POLICY.—The Commandant shall—*

24 “(A) *develop and issue a clear policy for*
 25 *carrying out the notification required under*

1 paragraph (1) with respect to any member of the
 2 Coast Guard described in that paragraph who
 3 has made an unrestricted report of sexual as-
 4 sault; and

5 “(B) provide information on such policy to
 6 sexual assault response coordinators of the Coast
 7 Guard for the purpose of ensuring that such pol-
 8 icy is communicated to members of the Coast
 9 Guard who may be eligible for a medical exam-
 10 ination under this section.”.

11 **SEC. 518. PARTICIPATION IN CATCH A SERIAL OFFENDER**
 12 **PROGRAM.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of the department in
 14 which the Coast Guard is operating when not operating as
 15 a service in the Navy, acting through the Commandant,
 16 shall ensure the participation of the Coast Guard in the
 17 Catch a Serial Offender program (referred to in this section
 18 as the “CATCH program”) of the Department of Defense
 19 established in accordance with section 543 of the Carl Levin
 20 and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Author-
 21 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291).

22 (b) *MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.*—Not later
 23 than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the
 24 Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is
 25 operating and the Secretary of Defense shall finalize a

1 memorandum of agreement to facilitate Coast Guard access
 2 to and participation in the CATCH program.

3 **SEC. 519. ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY RELATING**
 4 **TO ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AGAINST**
 5 **SENIOR LEADERS.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter II of chapter 25 of title
 7 14, United States Code, is amended by redesignating section
 8 2521 as section 2531.

9 (b) *ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY RELATING*
 10 *TO ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AGAINST SENIOR LEAD-*
 11 *ERS.*—Subchapter I of chapter 25 of title 14, United States
 12 Code, is further amended by adding at the end the following:
 13 **“§2521. Accountability and transparency relating to**
 14 **allegations of misconduct against senior**
 15 **leaders**

16 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the
 17 date of enactment of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of
 18 2025, the Secretary shall establish a policy to improve over-
 19 sight, investigations, accountability, and public trans-
 20 parency regarding alleged misconduct of senior leaders of
 21 the Coast Guard.

22 “(b) *ELEMENTS.*—The policy required by subsection
 23 (a)—

24 “(1) shall require that—

1 “(A) any allegation of alleged misconduct
2 made against a senior leader of the Coast Guard
3 shall be reported to the Office of the Inspector
4 General of the department in which the Coast
5 Guard is operating not later than 72 hours after
6 the allegation is reported to the Coast Guard or
7 the department in which the Coast Guard is op-
8 erating; and

9 “(B) the Inspector General of the depart-
10 ment in which the Coast Guard is operating
11 shall notify the head of the Coast Guard office in
12 which the senior leader is serving with respect to
13 the receipt of such allegation, or, in a case where
14 the senior leader is the head of such Coast Guard
15 office, the next in the chain of command, as ap-
16 propriate, except in a case in which the Inspec-
17 tor General determines that such notification
18 would risk impairing an ongoing investigation,
19 would unnecessarily compromise the anonymity
20 of the individual making the allegation, or would
21 otherwise be inappropriate; and

22 “(2) to the extent practicable, shall be consistent
23 with Department of Defense directives, including De-
24 partment of Defense Directive 5505.06.

1 “(c) *FIRST RIGHT TO EXCLUSIVE INVESTIGATION.*—
 2 *The Inspector General of the department in which the Coast*
 3 *Guard is operating—*

4 “(1) *shall have the first right to investigate an*
 5 *allegation described in subsection (b)(1)(A); and*

6 “(2) *in cases with concurrent jurisdiction involv-*
 7 *ing an allegation described in subsection (b)(1)(A),*
 8 *may investigate such an allegation to the exclusion of*
 9 *any other Coast Guard criminal or administrative*
 10 *investigation if the Inspector General determines that*
 11 *an exclusive investigation is necessary to maintain*
 12 *the integrity of the investigation.*

13 “(d) *PUBLIC AVAILABILITY AND BROAD DISSEMINA-*
 14 *TION.*—*The policy established under subsection (a) shall be*
 15 *made available to the public and incorporated into training*
 16 *and curricula across the Coast Guard at all levels to ensure*
 17 *broad understanding of the policy among members and per-*
 18 *sonnel of the Coast Guard.*

19 “(e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

20 “(1) *ALLEGED MISCONDUCT.*—*The term ‘alleged*
 21 *misconduct’—*

22 “(A) *means a credible allegation that, if*
 23 *proven, would constitute a violation of—*

1 “(i) a provision of criminal law, in-
2 cluding the Uniform Code of Military Jus-
3 tice (chapter 47 of title 10); or

4 “(ii) a recognized standard, such as the
5 Department of Defense Joint Ethics Regula-
6 tion or other Federal regulation, including
7 any other Department of Defense regulation
8 and any Department of Homeland Security
9 regulation; or

10 “(B) could reasonably be expected to be of
11 significance to the Secretary or the Inspector
12 General of the department in which the Coast
13 Guard is operating, particularly in a case in
14 which there is an element of misuse of position
15 or of unauthorized personal benefit to the senior
16 official, a family member, or an associate.

17 “(2) SENIOR LEADER OF THE COAST GUARD.—

18 *The term ‘senior leader of the Coast Guard’ means—*

19 “(A) an active duty, retired, or reserve offi-
20 cer of the Coast Guard in the grade of O-7 or
21 higher;

22 “(B) an officer of the Coast Guard selected
23 for promotion to the grade of O-7;

1 “(C) a current or former civilian member of
2 the Senior Executive Service employed by the
3 Coast Guard; or

4 “(D) any civilian member of the Coast
5 Guard whose position is deemed equivalent to
6 that of a member of the Senior Executive Serv-
7 ice, as determined by the Office of the Inspector
8 General of the department in which the Coast
9 Guard is operating, in concurrence with the Sec-
10 retary acting through the Commandant.”.

11 (c) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
12 *25 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended—*

13 (1) *by striking the item relating to section 2521*
14 *and inserting the following:*

“2531. Advisory Board on Women in the Coast Guard.”; and

15 (2) *by inserting after the item relating to section*
16 *2520 (as added by this Act) the following:*

*“2521. Accountability and transparency relating to allegations of misconduct
against senior leaders.”.*

17 **SEC. 520. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTING OF SEXUAL HARASS-**
18 **MENT.**

19 *Section 1561b of title 10, United States Code, is*
20 *amended—*

21 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

22 (A) *by inserting “and the Secretary of the*
23 *department in which the Coast Guard is oper-*

1 *ating when not operating as a service in the*
 2 *Navy” after “Secretary of Defense”; and*

3 *(B) by inserting “or the Commandant”*
 4 *after “Secretary of a military department”;*
 5 *(2) in subsection (c)—*

6 *(A) by inserting “or the Secretary of the de-*
 7 *partment in which the Coast Guard is operating*
 8 *when not operating as a service in the Navy”*
 9 *after “Secretary of Defense”; and*

10 *(B) in paragraph (1) by inserting “depart-*
 11 *ments or the Commandant” after “Secretaries of*
 12 *the military”; and*

13 *(3) by adding at the end the following:*

14 *“(e) REPORTS FOR THE COAST GUARD.—*

15 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 30,*
 16 *2025, and April 30 every 2 years thereafter, the Sec-*
 17 *retary of the department in which the Coast Guard*
 18 *is operating shall submit to the Committee on Com-*
 19 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and*
 20 *the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*
 21 *of the House of Representatives a report containing*
 22 *data on the complaints of sexual harassment alleged*
 23 *pursuant to the process under subsection (a) during*
 24 *the previous 2 calendar years.*

1 “(2) *PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMA-*
 2 *TION.—Any data on complaints described in para-*
 3 *graph (1) shall not contain any personally identifi-*
 4 *able information.*”.

5 **SEC. 521. REPORT ON POLICY ON WHISTLEBLOWER PRO-**
 6 **TECTIONS.**

7 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the*
 8 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall submit*
 9 *to the Committees on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
 10 *tation and Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs*
 11 *of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and*
 12 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report on*
 13 *the policy of the Coast Guard on whistleblower protections.*

14 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a)*
 15 *shall include the following:*

16 (1) *A discussion of the policy of the Coast Guard*
 17 *as of the date of enactment of this Act with respect*
 18 *to—*

19 (A) *whistleblower protections;*

20 (B) *accountability measures for reprisal*
 21 *against whistleblowers;*

22 (C) *the applicable professional standards*
 23 *and potential types of support provided to whis-*
 24 *tleblowers by members of the Coast Guard per-*

sonnel, such as the members in the Coast Guard
Investigative Service; and

(D) the content and frequency of training
provided to members of the Coast Guard on ac-
tive duty, members of the Coast Guard Reserve,
and civilian personnel of the Coast Guard with
respect to the applicable professional standards
and potential types of support offered to whistle-
blowers.

(2) A description of the responsibilities of com-
manders and equivalent civilian supervisors with re-
spect to whistleblower complaints and measures used
by the Coast Guard to ensure compliance with such
responsibilities, such as—

(A) the mechanisms to ensure that—

(i) any such commander complies with
section 1034 of title 10, United States Code,
including subsection (a)(1) of that section;

(ii) any such equivalent civilian super-
visor complies with section 2302 of title 5,
United States Code; and

(iii) any such commander or super-
visor protects the constitutional right of
whistleblowers to speak with Members of
Congress;

1 (B) actions to be taken against any a com-
2 mander or equivalent civilian supervisor who
3 fails to act on a whistleblower complaint or im-
4 properly interferes with a whistleblower after a
5 complaint is filed or during the preparation of
6 a complaint;

7 (C) the role of Coast Guard attorneys in en-
8 suring that such commanders comply with re-
9 sponsibilities under section 1034 of title 10,
10 United States Code; and

11 (D) the role of Coast Guard civilian attor-
12 neys and administrative law judges in ensuring
13 that such civilian supervisors comply with re-
14 sponsibilities under section 2302 of title 5,
15 United States Code.

16 (3) A discussion of the availability of Coast
17 Guard staff, including civilian staff, assigned to pro-
18 viding, in accordance with professional standards or
19 practice, behavioral health care to whistleblowers, in-
20 cluding—

21 (A) the number and type of such staff;

22 (B) a description of the specific care respon-
23 sibilities of such staff;

1 (C) an identification of any limitation ex-
2 isting as of the date of enactment of this Act to
3 the provision of such care;

4 (D) a description of any plan to increase
5 capacity of such staff to provide such care, as
6 applicable; and

7 (E) a description of any additional re-
8 sources necessary to provide such care.

9 (4) An assessment of the manner in which the
10 policies discussed in paragraph (1), the responsibil-
11 ities of commanders and civilian supervisors de-
12 scribed in paragraph (2), and the availability of
13 Coast Guard staff as discussed in paragraph (3)
14 apply specifically to cadets and leadership at the
15 Coast Guard Academy.

16 (5) Recommendations (including, as appro-
17 priate, proposed legislative changes and a plan to
18 publish in the Federal Register not later than 180
19 days after the date of enactment of this Act a request
20 for information seeking public comment and rec-
21 ommendations) of the Commandant regarding man-
22 ners in which Coast Guard policies and procedures
23 may be strengthened—

24 (A) to prevent whistleblower discrimination
25 and harassment;

1 (B) to better enforce prohibitions on retaliation,
 2 including reprisal, restriction, ostracism,
 3 and maltreatment, set forth in section 1034 of
 4 title 10, United States Code, and section 2302 of
 5 title 5, United States Code; and

6 (C) to hold commanding officers and civil-
 7 ian supervisors accountable for enforcing and
 8 complying with prohibitions on any form of re-
 9 taliation described in such section.

10 **SEC. 522. REVIEW AND MODIFICATION OF COAST GUARD**

11 **ACADEMY POLICY ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

12 **AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Superintendent of the Coast
 14 Guard Academy (referred to in this section as the “Super-
 15 intendent”) shall—

16 (1) not later than 60 days after the date of en-
 17 actment of this Act, commence a review of the Coast
 18 Guard Academy policy on sexual harassment and sex-
 19 ual violence established in accordance with section
 20 1902 of title 14, United States Code, that includes an
 21 evaluation as to whether any long-standing Coast
 22 Guard Academy tradition, system, process, or inter-
 23 nal policy impedes the implementation of necessary
 24 evidence-informed best practices followed by other
 25 military service academies in prevention, response,

1 *and recovery relating to sexual harassment and sexual*
2 *violence; and*

3 *(2) not later than 180 days after the date of en-*
4 *actment of this Act—*

5 *(A) complete such review; and*

6 *(B) modify such policy in accordance with*
7 *subsection (b).*

8 *(b) MODIFICATIONS TO POLICY.—In modifying the*
9 *Coast Guard Academy policy on sexual harassment and*
10 *sexual violence referred to in subsection (a), the Super-*
11 *intendent shall ensure that such policy includes the fol-*
12 *lowing:*

13 *(1) Each matter required to be specified by sec-*
14 *tion 1902(b) of title 14, United States Code.*

15 *(2) Updates to achieve compliance with chapter*
16 *47 of title 10, United States Code (Uniform Code of*
17 *Military Justice).*

18 *(3) A description of the roles and responsibilities*
19 *of staff of the Coast Guard Academy Sexual Assault*
20 *Prevention, Response, and Recovery program, includ-*
21 *ing—*

22 *(A) the Sexual Assault Response Coordi-*
23 *nator;*

24 *(B) the Victim Advocate Program Spe-*
25 *cialist;*

1 (C) the Volunteer Victim Advocate; and

2 (D) the Primary Prevention Specialist, as
3 established under subsection (c).

4 (4) A description of the role of the Coast Guard
5 Investigative Service with respect to sexual harass-
6 ment and sexual violence prevention, response, and
7 recovery at the Coast Guard Academy.

8 (5) A description of the role of support staff at
9 the Coast Guard Academy, including chaplains, with
10 respect to sexual harassment and sexual violence pre-
11 vention, response, and recovery.

12 (6) Measures to promote awareness of dating vio-
13 lence.

14 (7) A delineation of the relationship between—

15 (A) cadet advocacy groups organized for the
16 prevention of, response to, and recovery from sex-
17 ual harassment and sexual violence, including
18 Cadets Against Sexual Assault; and

19 (B) the staff of the Coast Guard Academy
20 Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recov-
21 ery program.

22 (8) A provision that requires cadets and Coast
23 Guard Academy personnel to participate in not fewer
24 than one in-person training each academic year on
25 the prevention of, responses to, and resources relating

1 to incidents of sexual harassment and sexual violence,
2 to be provided by the staff of the Coast Guard Acad-
3 emy Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and Recov-
4 ery program.

5 (9) The establishment, revision, or expansion, as
6 necessary, of an anti-retaliation Superintendent's In-
7 struction for cadets who—

8 (A) report incidents of sexual harassment or
9 sexual violence;

10 (B) participate in cadet advocacy groups
11 that advocate for the prevention of, response to,
12 and recovery from sexual harassment and sexual
13 violence; or

14 (C) seek assistance from a company officer,
15 company senior enlisted leader, athletic coach, or
16 other Coast Guard Academy staff member with
17 respect to a mental health or other medical emer-
18 gency.

19 (10) A provision that explains the purpose of
20 and process for issuance of a no-contact order at the
21 Coast Guard Academy, including a description of the
22 manner in which such an order shall be enforced.

23 (11) A provision that explains the purpose of
24 and process for issuance of a military protective order

1 *at the Coast Guard Academy, including a description*
 2 *of—*

3 *(A) the manner in which such an order*
 4 *shall be enforced; and*

5 *(B) the associated requirement to notify the*
 6 *National Criminal Information Center of the*
 7 *issuance of such an order.*

8 *(c) PRIMARY PREVENTION SPECIALIST.—Not later*
 9 *than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the*
 10 *Superintendent shall hire a Primary Prevention Specialist,*
 11 *to be located and serve at the Coast Guard Academy.*

12 *(d) TEMPORARY LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO RECEIVE*
 13 *MEDICAL SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH AND RELATED*
 14 *SUPPORT SERVICES.—The Superintendent shall ensure*
 15 *that the Academy’s policy regarding a cadet who has made*
 16 *a restricted or unrestricted report of sexual harassment to*
 17 *request a leave of absence from the Coast Guard Academy*
 18 *is consistent with other military service academies.*

19 **SEC. 523. COAST GUARD AND COAST GUARD ACADEMY AC-**
 20 **CESS TO DEFENSE SEXUAL ASSAULT INCI-**
 21 **DENT DATABASE.**

22 *(a) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—Not later*
 23 *than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the*
 24 *Commandant, in consultation with the Secretary of De-*
 25 *fense, shall enter into a memorandum of understanding to*

1 *enable the criminal offender case management and ana-*
2 *lytics database of the Coast Guard to have system interface*
3 *access with the Defense Sexual Assault Incident Database*
4 *(referred to in this section as the “Database”) established*
5 *by section 563 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Au-*
6 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (10 U.S.C. 1561 note).*

7 (b) *PLAN.*—

8 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 60 days after*
9 *entering into the memorandum of understanding re-*
10 *quired under subsection (a), the Commandant, in*
11 *consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall sub-*
12 *mit to the appropriate committees of Congress a plan*
13 *to carry out the terms of such memorandum.*

14 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—*The plan required under para-*
15 *graph (1) shall include the following:*

16 (A) *Measures to ensure that authorized staff*
17 *of the Coast Guard have system interface access*
18 *to the Database, and a description of any barrier*
19 *to such access.*

20 (B) *Measures to ensure that authorized staff*
21 *of the Coast Guard Academy have system inter-*
22 *face access to the Database, and a description of*
23 *any barrier to such access that is unique to the*
24 *Coast Guard Academy.*

1 (C) *Measures to facilitate formal or infor-*
2 *mal communication between the Coast Guard*
3 *and the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response*
4 *Office of the Department of Defense, or any other*
5 *relevant Department of Defense component, to*
6 *identify or seek a resolution to barriers to Data-*
7 *base access.*

8 (D) *A description of the steps, measures,*
9 *and improvements necessary to remove any bar-*
10 *rier encountered by staff of the Coast Guard or*
11 *the Coast Guard Academy in accessing the Data-*
12 *base, including any failure of system interface*
13 *access necessitating manual entry of investiga-*
14 *tive data.*

15 (E) *An assessment of the technical chal-*
16 *lenges, timeframes, and costs associated with*
17 *providing authorized staff of the Coast Guard*
18 *and the Coast Guard Academy with system*
19 *interface access for the Database that is substan-*
20 *tially similar to such system interface access pos-*
21 *sessed by other branches of the Armed Forces.*

22 (3) *APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS*
23 *DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appropriate*
24 *committees of Congress” means—*

1 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,
2 and Transportation and the Committee on
3 Armed Services of the Senate; and

4 (B) the Committee on Transportation and
5 Infrastructure and the Committee on Armed
6 Services of the House of Representatives.

7 **SEC. 524. DIRECTOR OF COAST GUARD INVESTIGATIVE**
8 **SERVICE.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 3 of title 14, United States
10 Code, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

11 **“§ 327. Director of Coast Guard Investigative Service**

12 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—There shall be a Director of the
13 Coast Guard Investigative Service.

14 “(b) *CHAIN OF COMMAND.*—The Director of the Coast
15 Guard Investigative Service shall report directly to and be
16 under the general supervision of the Commandant, acting
17 through the Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard.”.

18 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The analysis for Chapter
19 3 of title 14, United States Code, is further amended by
20 inserting after the item relating to section 326 the following:

“327. Director of Coast Guard Investigative Service.”.

21 **SEC. 525. MODIFICATIONS AND REVISIONS RELATING TO**
22 **REOPENING RETIRED GRADE DETERMINA-**
23 **TIONS.**

24 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 2501(d)(2) of title 14,
25 United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (B) by inserting “a” before
2 “competent authority”;

3 (2) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) through
4 (E) as subparagraphs (F) through (H), respectively;
5 and

6 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(C) substantial evidence comes to light
9 that, during the commissioned service of the offi-
10 cer, the officer failed to carry out applicable
11 laws, with an intent to deceive or defraud;

12 “(D) substantial evidence comes to light
13 after the retirement that the officer committed
14 rape or sexual assault, as described in sections
15 920(a) and 920(b) of title 10 (articles 120(a)
16 and 120(b) of the Uniform Code of Military Jus-
17 tice) at any time during the commissioned serv-
18 ice of the officer;

19 “(E) substantial evidence comes to light
20 after the retirement that the commissioned officer
21 knew of and failed to report through proper
22 channels, in accordance with existing law at the
23 time of the alleged incident, any known instances
24 of sexual assault by a member of the Coast

1 *Guard under the command of the officer during*
2 *the officer's service;”.*

3 ***(b) ISSUANCE AND REVISION OF REGULATIONS RELAT-***
4 ***ING TO GOOD CAUSE TO REOPEN RETIRED GRADE DETER-***
5 ***MINATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of en-***
6 ***actment of this Act, the Secretary of the department in***
7 ***which the Coast Guard is operating shall issue or revise,***
8 ***as applicable, and at the discretion of the Secretary con-***
9 ***sistent with this section, regulations of the Coast Guard to***
10 ***do the following:***

11 ***(1) Define what constitutes good cause to reopen***
12 ***a retired grade determination referred to in subpara-***
13 ***graph (H) of section 2501(d)(2) of title 14, United***
14 ***States Code, as redesignated by subsection (a), to en-***
15 ***sure that the following shall be considered good cause***
16 ***for such a reopening:***

17 ***(A) Circumstances that constitute a failure***
18 ***to carry out applicable laws regarding a report***
19 ***of sexual assault with an intent to deceive by a***
20 ***commissioned officer, that relate to a response***
21 ***made to a report of sexual assault, during the***
22 ***commissioned service of the officer.***

23 ***(B) Substantial evidence of sexual assault***
24 ***by the commissioned officer concerned, at any***
25 ***time during the commissioned service of such of-***

1 *ficer, or such evidence that was not considered by*
2 *the Coast Guard in a manner consistent with*
3 *law.*

4 *(2) Identify the standard for making, and the*
5 *evidentiary showing required to support, an adverse*
6 *determination on the retired grade of a commissioned*
7 *officer.*

8 *(c) REVISION OF LIMITATIONS ON REOPENING RE-*
9 *TIRED GRADE DETERMINATIONS.—Not later than 180 days*
10 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the*
11 *department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall*
12 *revise applicable guidance in section K.10 of chapter 3 of*
13 *Commandant Instruction 1000.4A to remove any restric-*
14 *tion that limits the ability to reopen the retired grade of*
15 *a commissioned officer based on—*

16 *(1) whether new evidence is discovered contem-*
17 *poraneously with or within a short time period after*
18 *the date of retirement of the officer concerned; and*

19 *(2) whether the misconduct concerned was not*
20 *discoverable through due diligence.*

21 *(d) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—No provision of this section or*
22 *the amendments made by this section shall be construed to*
23 *permit a review of conduct that was not in violation of law*
24 *or policy at the time of the alleged conduct.*

1 **SEC. 526. INCLUSION AND COMMAND REVIEW OF INFORMA-**
 2 **TION ON COVERED MISCONDUCT IN PER-**
 3 **SONNEL SERVICE RECORDS.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter I of chapter 25 of title
 5 14, United States Code, is further amended by adding at
 6 the end the following:

7 **“§ 2522. Inclusion and command review of informa-**
 8 **tion on covered misconduct in personnel**
 9 **service records**

10 *“(a) INFORMATION ON REPORTS ON COVERED MIS-*
 11 *CONDUCT.—*

12 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—If a complaint of covered*
 13 *misconduct is made against a member of the Coast*
 14 *Guard and the member is convicted by court-martial*
 15 *or receives nonjudicial punishment or punitive ad-*
 16 *ministrative action for such covered misconduct, a no-*
 17 *tation to that effect shall be placed in the personnel*
 18 *service record of the member, regardless of the grade*
 19 *of the member.*

20 *“(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the inclusion of*
 21 *information in personnel service records under para-*
 22 *graph (1) is to alert supervisors and commanders to*
 23 *any member of their command who has received a*
 24 *court-martial conviction, nonjudicial punishment, or*
 25 *punitive administrative action for covered misconduct*
 26 *in order—*

1 “(A) to reduce the likelihood that repeat of-
2 fenses will escape the notice of supervisors and
3 commanders; and

4 “(B) to help inform commissioning or
5 promotability of the member;

6 “(3) *LIMITATION ON PLACEMENT.*—A notation
7 under paragraph (1) may not be placed in the re-
8 stricted section of the personnel service record of a
9 member.

10 “(4) *CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this subsection
11 may be construed to prohibit or limit the capacity of
12 a member of the Coast Guard to challenge or appeal
13 the placement of a notation, or location of placement
14 of a notation, in the personnel service record of the
15 member in accordance with procedures otherwise ap-
16 plicable to such challenges or appeals.

17 “(b) *COMMAND REVIEW OF HISTORY OF COVERED*
18 *MISCONDUCT.*—

19 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Under policy to be pre-
20 scribed by the Secretary, the commanding officer of a
21 unit or facility to which a covered member is assigned
22 or transferred shall review the history of covered mis-
23 conduct as documented in the personnel service record
24 of a covered member in order to become familiar with
25 such history of the covered member.

1 “(2) *COVERED MEMBER DEFINED.*—*In this sub-*
 2 *section, the term ‘covered member’ means a member*
 3 *of the Coast Guard who, at the time of assignment or*
 4 *transfer as described in paragraph (1), has a history*
 5 *of 1 or more covered misconduct offenses as docu-*
 6 *mented in the personnel service record of such member*
 7 *or such other records or files as the Commandant*
 8 *shall specify in the policy prescribed under subpara-*
 9 *graph (A).*

10 “(c) *REVIEW OF PERSONNEL SERVICE RECORD TO*
 11 *DETERMINE SUITABILITY FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT.*—
 12 *Under policy to be prescribed by the Secretary, the Com-*
 13 *mandant shall establish procedures that are consistent with*
 14 *the law, policies, and practices of the Department of Defense*
 15 *in effect on the date of enactment of the Coast Guard Au-*
 16 *thorization Act of 2025 to consider and review the personnel*
 17 *service record of a former member of the Armed Forces to*
 18 *determine the suitability of the individual for civilian em-*
 19 *ployment in the Coast Guard.*”.

20 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The analysis for chapter*
 21 *25 of title 14, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
 22 *after the item relating to section 2521 (as added by this*
 23 *Act) the following:*

 “2522. *Inclusion and command review of information on covered misconduct in*
 personnel service records.”.

1 **SEC. 527. FLAG OFFICER REVIEW OF, AND CONCURRENCE**
2 **IN, SEPARATION OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE RE-**
3 **PORTED SEXUAL MISCONDUCT.**

4 (a) *POLICY TO REQUIRE REVIEW OF CERTAIN PRO-*
5 *POSED INVOLUNTARY SEPARATIONS.*—*Not later than 120*
6 *days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-*
7 *mandant shall establish, with respect to any proposed invol-*
8 *untary separation under chapter 59 of title 10, United*
9 *States Code, a Coast Guard policy to review the cir-*
10 *cumstances of, and grounds for, such a proposed involun-*
11 *tary separation of any member of the Coast Guard who—*

12 (1) *made a restricted or unrestricted report of*
13 *covered misconduct (as such term is defined in section*
14 *2519 of title 14, United States Code);*

15 (2) *within 2 years after making such a report,*
16 *is recommended for involuntary separation from the*
17 *Coast Guard; and*

18 (3) *requests the review on the grounds that the*
19 *member believes the recommendation for involuntary*
20 *separation from the Coast Guard was initiated in re-*
21 *taliation for making the report.*

22 (b) *RECUSAL.*—

23 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The policy established under*
24 *subsection (a) shall set forth a process for the recusal*
25 *of commanding officers and the flag officer described*
26 *in subsection (c)(2) from making initial or subsequent*

1 *decisions on proposed separations or from reviewing*
2 *proposed separations.*

3 (2) *CRITERIA.—The recusal process established*
4 *under paragraph (1) shall specify criteria for recusal,*
5 *including mandatory recusal from making a decision*
6 *on a proposed separation, and from reviewing a pro-*
7 *posed separation, if the commanding officer or the*
8 *flag officer described in subsection (c)(2) was, at any*
9 *time—*

10 (A) *the subject of a complaint of any form*
11 *of assault, harassment, or retaliation, filed by*
12 *the member of the Coast Guard described in sub-*
13 *section (a) who is the subject of a proposed invol-*
14 *untary separation or whose proposed separation*
15 *is under review; or*

16 (B) *associated with the individual suspected*
17 *or accused of perpetrating the incident of covered*
18 *misconduct reported by such member.*

19 (c) *CONCURRENCE OF FLAG OFFICER REQUIRED.—*

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The policy established under*
21 *subsection (a) shall require the concurrence of the flag*
22 *officer described in paragraph (2) in order to separate*
23 *the member of the Coast Guard described in such sub-*
24 *section.*

25 (2) *FLAG OFFICER DESCRIBED.—*

1 (A) *IN GENERAL*.—*Except as provided in*
 2 *subparagraph (B), the flag officer described in*
 3 *this paragraph is—*

4 (i) *the Commandant; or*

5 (ii) *a designee of the Commandant who*
 6 *is in a grade not lower than O-7.*

7 (B) *CHAIN OF COMMAND EXCEPTION*.—*In*
 8 *the case of a member of the Coast Guard de-*
 9 *scribed in subsection (a) who is in the immediate*
 10 *chain of command of the Commandant or the*
 11 *designee of the Commandant that oversees per-*
 12 *sonnel policy, the flag officer described in this*
 13 *paragraph is a flag officer outside the chain of*
 14 *command of such member, as determined by the*
 15 *Commandant consistent with the policy estab-*
 16 *lished under subsection (a).*

17 (d) *NOTIFICATION REQUIRED*.—*Any member of the*
 18 *Coast Guard who has made a report of covered misconduct*
 19 *and who receives a proposal for involuntary separation*
 20 *shall be notified at the time of such proposal of the right*
 21 *of the member to a review under this section.*

22 **SEC. 528. EXPEDITED TRANSFER IN CASES OF SEXUAL MIS-**
 23 **CONDUCT OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.**

24 (a) *EXPEDITED TRANSFER POLICY UPDATE*.—*Not*
 25 *later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act,*

1 *the Commandant shall update Coast Guard policy as nec-*
2 *essary to implement—*

3 *(1) an expedited transfer process for covered in-*
4 *dividuals consistent with—*

5 *(A) Department of Defense policy on expe-*
6 *dited transfers of victims of sexual assault or do-*
7 *mestic violence in place on the date of enactment*
8 *of this Act; and*

9 *(B) subsection (b); and*

10 *(2) a process by which—*

11 *(A) a covered individual, the commanding*
12 *officer of a covered individual, or any other*
13 *Coast Guard official may initiate a request that*
14 *a subject be administratively assigned to another*
15 *unit in accordance with military assignments*
16 *and authorized absence policy for the duration of*
17 *the investigation and, if applicable, prosecution*
18 *of such subject;*

19 *(B) the Coast Guard shall ensure that any*
20 *administrative assignment action in response to*
21 *a request under subparagraph (A) will be taken*
22 *not as a punitive measure, but solely for the pur-*
23 *pose of maintaining good order and discipline*
24 *within the unit of the covered individual or the*
25 *subject; and*

1 (C) *protection of due process for the subject*
2 *is preserved.*

3 (b) *RECUSAL.*—*The expedited transfer process imple-*
4 *mented under this section shall require the recusal of any*
5 *official involved in the approval or denial of an expedited*
6 *transfer request if the official was, at any time—*

7 (1) *the subject of a complaint of any form of as-*
8 *sault, harassment, or retaliation, or any other type of*
9 *complaint, filed by the covered individual; or*

10 (2) *associated, beyond workplace interactions,*
11 *with the subject in a manner that may present an ac-*
12 *tual or apparent conflict of interest.*

13 (c) *NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.*—*With respect to a*
14 *member of the Coast Guard who makes an unrestricted re-*
15 *port of sexual assault or a report of domestic violence, the*
16 *updated policy required under subsection (a) shall specify*
17 *the appropriate officials of the Coast Guard who shall pro-*
18 *vide such member with information regarding expedited*
19 *transfer authority.*

20 (d) *REPORT.*—

21 (1) *INITIAL REPORT.*—*Not later than March 1 of*
22 *the year that is not less than 1 year after the date*
23 *on which the updates required under subsection (a)*
24 *are completed, the Commandant shall submit to the*
25 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*

1 *tation of the Senate and the Committee on Transpor-*
2 *tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*
3 *tives, as an enclosure or appendix to the report re-*
4 *quired by section 5112 of title 14, United States Code,*
5 *a report on such updates that includes—*

6 *(A) a copy of the updated policies of the*
7 *Coast Guard relating to expedited transfers;*

8 *(B) a summary of such updated policies;*

9 *(C) for the preceding year, the number of*
10 *covered individuals who have requested an expe-*
11 *dited transfer, disaggregated by gender of the re-*
12 *quester and whether the request was granted or*
13 *denied;*

14 *(D) for each denial of an expedited transfer*
15 *request during the preceding year, a description*
16 *of the rationale for the denial; and*

17 *(E) any other matter the Commandant con-*
18 *siders appropriate.*

19 *(2) SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—Not later than 1*
20 *year after the Commandant submits the report re-*
21 *quired under paragraph (1), and annually thereafter*
22 *for 3 years, the Commandant shall submit to the*
23 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
24 *tation of the Senate and the Committee on Transpor-*
25 *tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*

1 *tives, as an enclosure or appendix to the report re-*
2 *quired by section 5112 of title 14, United States Code,*
3 *a report on the updates required under subsection (a)*
4 *that includes—*

5 *(A) any policies of the Coast Guard relating*
6 *to expedited transfers that have been updated*
7 *since the previous report submitted under this*
8 *subsection;*

9 *(B) a summary of any such updated poli-*
10 *cies; and*

11 *(C) the information described under sub-*
12 *paragraphs (C) through (E) of paragraph (1).*

13 *(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

14 *(1) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term “covered*
15 *individual” means—*

16 *(A) a member of the Coast Guard who is a*
17 *victim of sexual assault in a case handled under*
18 *the Sexual Assault Prevention, Response, and*
19 *Recovery Program or the Family Advocacy Pro-*
20 *gram;*

21 *(B) a member of the Coast Guard who is a*
22 *victim of domestic violence (as defined by the*
23 *Secretary of the department in which the Coast*
24 *Guard is operating in the policies prescribed*
25 *under this section) committed by the spouse or*

1 *intimate partner of the member, regardless of*
2 *whether the spouse or intimate partner is a*
3 *member of the Coast Guard; and*

4 *(C) a member of the Coast Guard whose de-*
5 *pendent is a victim of sexual assault or domestic*
6 *violence.*

7 (2) *SUBJECT.—The term “subject” means a*
8 *member of the Coast Guard who is the subject of an*
9 *investigation related to alleged incidents of sexual as-*
10 *sault or domestic violence and is stationed at the*
11 *same installation as, or in close proximity to, the cov-*
12 *ered individual involved.*

13 **SEC. 529. ACCESS TO TEMPORARY SEPARATION PROGRAM**
14 **FOR VICTIMS OF ALLEGED SEX-RELATED OF-**
15 **FENSES.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
17 *date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall update*
18 *the Coast Guard policy relating to temporary separation*
19 *of members of the Coast Guard who are victims of alleged*
20 *sex-related offenses as required under subsection (b).*

21 (b) *ELIGIBILITY.—The updated policy required under*
22 *subsection (a) shall include—*

23 *(1) a provision that allows a member of the*
24 *Coast Guard to request to participate in the tem-*
25 *porary separation program if the member has re-*

1 ported, in an unrestricted format or to the greatest
2 extent practicable, a restricted format, being the vic-
3 tim of an alleged sex-related offense on a date that is
4 during—

5 (A) the 5-year period preceding the re-
6 quested date of separation; and

7 (B) the military service of the member;

8 (2) a provision that provides eligibility for a
9 member of the Coast Guard to request temporary sep-
10 aration if the member has reported being the victim
11 of an alleged sex-related offense, even if—

12 (A) the member has had a previous tem-
13 porary separation including a previous tem-
14 porary separation as the victim of a previous
15 unrelated alleged sex-related offense; or

16 (B) the enlistment period of the member is
17 not nearing expiration or the tour or contract of
18 the member is not nearing completion;

19 (3) an updated standard of review consistent
20 with the application of, and purposes of, this section;
21 and

22 (4) the establishment of a process—

23 (A) for eligible members to make requests
24 for temporary separation under this section; and

1 (B) that allows the Commandant to con-
 2 sider whether to allow a member granted tem-
 3 porary separation under this section to fulfill the
 4 enlistment period or tour or contract obligation
 5 of the member after the end of the temporary sep-
 6 aration period.

7 (c) *EXCEPTION FROM REPAYMENT OF BONUSES, IN-*
 8 *CENTIVE PAY, OR SIMILAR BENEFITS AND TERMINATION OF*
 9 *REMAINING PAYMENTS.*—For any temporary separation
 10 granted under the updated policy required under subsection
 11 (a), the Secretary concerned may conduct a review to deter-
 12 mine whether to exercise discretion in accordance with sec-
 13 tion 373(b)(1) of title 37, United States Code.

14 (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

15 (1) *SECRETARY CONCERNED.*—The term “Sec-
 16 retary concerned” has the meaning given such term
 17 in section 101 of title 37, United States Code.

18 (2) *SEX-RELATED OFFENSE.*—The term “sex-re-
 19 lated offense” has the meaning given such term in sec-
 20 tion 1044e(h) of title 10, United States Code.

21 **SEC. 530. POLICY AND PROGRAM TO EXPAND PREVENTION**
 22 **OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT.**

23 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
 24 date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall de-
 25 velop and issue a comprehensive policy for the Coast Guard

1 *to reinvigorate the prevention of misconduct involving*
 2 *members and civilians of the Coast Guard that contains*
 3 *the policy elements described in section 1561 of title 10,*
 4 *United States Code.*

5 **(b) PROGRAMS REQUIRED.**—*Not later than 180 days*
 6 *after the issuance of the policy required under paragraph*
 7 *(1), the Commandant shall develop and implement for the*
 8 *Coast Guard a program to reinvigorate the prevention of*
 9 *misconduct involving members and civilians of the Coast*
 10 *Guard.*

11 **SEC. 531. CONTINUOUS VETTING OF SECURITY CLEAR-**
 12 **ANCES.**

13 *Section 1564(c) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 14 *amended—*

15 *(1) in paragraph (1)—*

16 *(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph*
 17 *(A) by inserting “, and the Secretary of Home-*
 18 *land Security shall conduct an investigation or*
 19 *adjudication under subsection (a) of any indi-*
 20 *vidual described in paragraph (3),” after “para-*
 21 *graph (2)”;* and

22 *(B) in subparagraph (A)(iv) by striking*
 23 *“the Secretary” and inserting “the Secretary of*
 24 *Defense or the Secretary of Homeland Security,*
 25 *as the case may be,”;*

1 (2) *in paragraph (2) by inserting “(other than*
 2 *an individual described in paragraph (3))” after “is*
 3 *an individual”;*

4 (3) *by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as*
 5 *paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively;*

6 (4) *by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-*
 7 *lowing new paragraph:*

8 “(3) *An individual described in this paragraph is an*
 9 *individual who has a security clearance and is—*

10 *“(A) a flag officer of the Coast Guard; or*

11 *“(B) an employee of the Coast Guard in the Sen-*
 12 *ior Executive Service.”; and*

13 (5) *in paragraph (4), as redesignated by para-*
 14 *graph (3), by striking “Secretary” and all that fol-*
 15 *lows through “paragraph (2)” and inserting the fol-*
 16 *lowing: “Secretary of Defense, in the case of an indi-*
 17 *vidual described in paragraph (2), and the Secretary*
 18 *of Homeland Security, in the case of an individual*
 19 *described in paragraph (3), shall ensure that relevant*
 20 *information on the conviction or determination de-*
 21 *scribed in paragraph (1) of such an individual”.*

22 **SEC. 532. TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR COV-**
 23 **ERED MISCONDUCT PREVENTION AND RE-**
 24 **SPONSE.**

25 (a) *MODIFICATION OF CURRICULUM.—*

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 2 years after
2 the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant
3 shall revise the curriculum of the Coast Guard with
4 respect to covered misconduct prevention and response
5 training—

6 (A) to include—

7 (i) information on procedures and re-
8 sponsibilities with respect to reporting re-
9 quirements, investigations, survivor health
10 and safety (including expedited transfers,
11 no-contact orders, military and civilian
12 protective orders, and temporary separa-
13 tions), and whistleblower protections;

14 (ii) information on Department of Vet-
15 erans Affairs resources available to veterans,
16 active-duty personnel, and reserve per-
17 sonnel;

18 (iii) information on the right of any
19 member of the Coast Guard to seek legal re-
20 sources outside the Coast Guard;

21 (iv) general information regarding the
22 availability of legal resources provided by
23 civilian legal services organizations, pre-
24 sented in an organized and consistent man-

ner that does not endorse any particular legal services organization; and

(v) information on the capability, operations, reporting structure, and requirements with respect to the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard; and

(B) to address the workforce training recommendations set forth in the memorandum of the Coast Guard titled “Commandant’s Directed Actions—Accountability and Transparency”, issued on November 27, 2023.

(2) *COLLABORATION.*—In revising the curriculum under this subsection, the Commandant shall solicit input from individuals outside the Coast Guard who are experts in sexual assault and sexual harassment prevention and response training.

(b) *COVERED MISCONDUCT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TRAINING AND EDUCATION.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant shall ensure that all members and civilian employees of the Coast Guard are provided with annual covered misconduct prevention and response training and education for the purpose of strengthening individual

1 *knowledge, skills, and capacity relating to the preven-*
2 *tion of and response to covered misconduct.*

3 (2) *SCOPE.*—*The training and education re-*
4 *ferred to in paragraph (1)—*

5 (A) *shall be provided as part of—*

6 (i) *initial entry and accession train-*
7 *ing;*

8 (ii) *annual refresher training;*

9 (iii) *initial and recurring training*
10 *courses for covered first responders;*

11 (iv) *new and prospective commanding*
12 *officer and executive officer training; and*

13 (v) *specialized leadership training; and*

14 (B) *shall be tailored for specific leadership*
15 *levels, positions, pay grades, and roles.*

16 (3) *CONTENT.*—*The training and education re-*
17 *ferred to in paragraph (1) shall include the informa-*
18 *tion described in subsection (a)(1)(A).*

19 (c) *COVERED FIRST RESPONDER TRAINING.*—

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 2 years after*
21 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Commandant*
22 *shall ensure that—*

23 (A) *training for covered first responders in-*
24 *cludes the covered misconduct prevention and re-*
25 *sponse training described in subsection (b); and*

1 (B) such covered misconduct prevention and
2 response training is provided to covered first re-
3 sponders on a recurring basis.

4 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—In addition to the infor-
5 mation described in subsection (a)(1)(A), the initial
6 and recurring covered misconduct prevention and re-
7 sponse training for covered first responders shall in-
8 clude information on procedures and responsibilities
9 with respect to—

10 (A) the provision of care to a victim of cov-
11 ered misconduct, in accordance with professional
12 standards or practice, that accounts for trauma
13 experienced by the victim and associated symp-
14 toms or events that may exacerbate such trauma;
15 and

16 (B) the manner in which such a victim
17 may receive such care.

18 (d) *TRAINING FOR PROSPECTIVE COMMANDING OFFI-*
19 *CERS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.*—

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 18 months
21 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
22 mandant shall ensure that training for prospective
23 commanders and executive officers at all levels of
24 command includes the covered misconduct prevention
25 and response training described in subsection (b).

1 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*In addition to the infor-*
2 *mation described in subsection (a)(1)(A), the covered*
3 *misconduct prevention and response training for pro-*
4 *spective commanding officers and executive officers*
5 *shall be—*

6 *(A) tailored to the responsibilities and lead-*
7 *ership requirements of members of the Coast*
8 *Guard as they are assigned to command posi-*
9 *tions; and*

10 *(B) revised, as necessary, to include infor-*
11 *mation on—*

12 *(i) fostering a command climate—*

13 *(I) that does not tolerate covered*
14 *misconduct;*

15 *(II) in which individuals assigned*
16 *to the command are encouraged to in-*
17 *tervene to prevent potential incidents*
18 *of covered misconduct; and*

19 *(III) that encourages victims of*
20 *covered misconduct to report any inci-*
21 *dent of covered misconduct;*

22 *(ii) the possible variations in the effect*
23 *of trauma on individuals who have experi-*
24 *enced covered misconduct;*

1 (iii) potential differences in the proce-
 2 dures and responsibilities, Department of
 3 Veterans Affairs resources, and legal re-
 4 sources described in subsection (a)(1)(A) de-
 5 pending on the operating environment in
 6 which an incident of covered misconduct oc-
 7 curred;

8 (iv) the investigation of alleged inci-
 9 dents of covered misconduct, including
 10 training on understanding evidentiary
 11 standards;

12 (v) available disciplinary options, in-
 13 cluding administrative action and deferral
 14 of discipline for collateral misconduct, and
 15 examples of disciplinary options in civilian
 16 jurisdictions; and

17 (vi) the capability, operations, report-
 18 ing structure, and requirements with respect
 19 to the Chief Prosecutor of the Coast Guard.

20 (e) *ENTRY AND ACCESSION TRAININGS.*—

21 (1) *INITIAL TRAINING.*—

22 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 1 year
 23 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Com-
 24 mandant shall provide for the inclusion of an
 25 initial covered misconduct prevention and re-

1 *sponse training module in the training for each*
2 *new member of the Coast Guard, which shall be*
3 *provided not later than 14 duty days after the*
4 *date of accession.*

5 *(B) REQUIREMENT.—In addition to the in-*
6 *formation described in subsection (a)(1)(A), the*
7 *initial training module referred to in subpara-*
8 *graph (A) shall include a comprehensive expla-*
9 *nation of Coast Guard—*

10 *(i) policy with respect to covered mis-*
11 *conduct; and*

12 *(ii) procedures for reporting covered*
13 *misconduct.*

14 *(2) SUBSEQUENT TRAINING.—*

15 *(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall*
16 *provide for the inclusion of a detailed covered*
17 *misconduct prevention and response training*
18 *module in the training for each new member of*
19 *the Coast Guard, which shall be provided not*
20 *later than 60 duty days after the date on which*
21 *the initial training module described in para-*
22 *graph (1)(A) is provided.*

23 *(B) CONTENT.—The detailed training mod-*
24 *ule referred to in subparagraph (A) shall include*

1 the information described in subsection
2 (a)(1)(A).

3 (f) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

4 (1) *COVERED FIRST RESPONDER.*—*The term*
5 *“covered first responder” includes sexual assault re-*
6 *sponse coordinators, victim advocates, Coast Guard*
7 *medical officers, Coast Guard security forces, Coast*
8 *Guard Investigative Service agents, judge advocates,*
9 *special victims’ counsel, chaplains, and related per-*
10 *sonnel.*

11 (2) *COVERED MISCONDUCT.*—*The term “covered*
12 *misconduct” has the meaning given such term in sec-*
13 *tion 2519 of title 14, United States Code.*

14 **TITLE VI—COMPTROLLER**
15 **GENERAL REPORTS**

16 **SEC. 601. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT ON COAST**
17 **GUARD RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND IN-**
18 **NOVATION PROGRAM.**

19 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 18 months after the*
20 *date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of*
21 *the United States shall submit to the Committee on Com-*
22 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the*
23 *Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
24 *House of Representatives a report on the state of the re-*
25 *search, development, and innovation program of the Coast*

1 *Guard during the 5-year period ending on such date of en-*
2 *actment.*

3 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*The report required by subsection (a)*
4 *shall include the following:*

5 (1) *An evaluation and description of the process*
6 *for selecting projects to be carried out under the re-*
7 *search, development, and innovation program of the*
8 *Coast Guard.*

9 (2) *An analysis of the manner in which funding*
10 *needs are determined and requested for such program,*
11 *and for the activities and projects of such program,*
12 *in alignment with the appropriate fiscal year.*

13 (3) *An assessment of the manner in which the*
14 *Coast Guard determines desired outcomes, and meas-*
15 *ures the impact, of successful projects on the execution*
16 *of the operations and mission of the Coast Guard.*

17 (4) *An assessment of the manner in which the*
18 *Coast Guard evaluates impacts and benefits of part-*
19 *nerships between the Coast Guard and the Depart-*
20 *ment of Defense and other entities, and a description*
21 *of the extent to which and manner in which the Coast*
22 *Guard is leveraging such benefits and identifying and*
23 *managing any potential challenge.*

24 (5) *An analysis of the manner in which the*
25 *Commandant is working with partners to accelerate*

1 *project transition from research, testing, evaluation,*
2 *and prototype to production.*

3 (6) *An assessment of the manner in which the*
4 *authority to enter into transactions other than con-*
5 *tracts and grants pursuant to sections 719 and 1158*
6 *of title 14, United States Code, has been exercised by*
7 *the Commandant, and a description of any training*
8 *or resources necessary (including additional agree-*
9 *ments for officers and training) to more fully exercise*
10 *such authority.*

11 (7) *An evaluation of the role of the Blue Tech*
12 *Center of Expertise established in section 302 of the*
13 *Coast Guard Blue Technology Center of Expertise Act*
14 *(Public Law 115–265).*

15 (8) *Recommendations regarding authorization,*
16 *personnel, infrastructure, and other requirements nec-*
17 *essary for the expeditious transition of technologies*
18 *developed under such program from prototype to pro-*
19 *duction in the field.*

20 (c) *CONSULTATION.—In developing the report required*
21 *under subsection (a), the Comptroller General may consult*
22 *with—*

23 (1) *the maritime and aviation industries;*

24 (2) *the Secretary of Defense;*

25 (3) *the intelligence community; and*

1 (4) *any relevant—*

2 (A) *federally funded research institutions;*

3 (B) *nongovernmental organizations; and*

4 (C) *institutions of higher education.*

5 **SEC. 602. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW OF QUALITY**
 6 **AND AVAILABILITY OF COAST GUARD BEHAV-**
 7 **IORAL HEALTH CARE AND RESOURCES FOR**
 8 **PERSONNEL WELLNESS.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 60 days after the*
 10 *date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of*
 11 *the United States shall commence a review of the quality*
 12 *and availability of behavioral health care and related re-*
 13 *sources for Coast Guard personnel at the locations described*
 14 *in subsection (b).*

15 (b) *LOCATIONS TO BE REVIEWED.*—*In conducting the*
 16 *review under subsection (a), the Comptroller General*
 17 *shall—*

18 (1) *first review the practices and policies relat-*
 19 *ing to the availability of behavioral health care and*
 20 *related resources at Training Center Cape May; and*

21 (2) *review such practices and policies at—*

22 (A) *the Coast Guard Academy, including*
 23 *Officer Candidate School; and*

24 (B) *other Coast Guard training locations,*
 25 *as applicable.*

1 (c) *ELEMENTS.*—*The review conducted under sub-*
2 *section (a) shall include, for each location described in sub-*
3 *section (b), an assessment, and a description of available*
4 *trend information (as applicable) for the 10-year period*
5 *preceding the date of the review, with respect to each of the*
6 *following:*

7 (1) *The nature of Coast Guard resources directed*
8 *toward behavioral health services at the location.*

9 (2) *The manner in which the Coast Guard has*
10 *managed treatment for recruits, cadets, officer can-*
11 *didates, or other personnel who may be experiencing*
12 *a behavioral health crisis at the location (including*
13 *individuals who have transferred to other buildings or*
14 *facilities within the location).*

15 (3) *The extent to which the Coast Guard has*
16 *identified the resources, such as physical spaces and*
17 *facilities, necessary to manage behavioral health chal-*
18 *lenges and crises that Coast Guard personnel may*
19 *face at the location.*

20 (4) *The behavioral health screenings required by*
21 *the Coast Guard for recruits, cadets, officer can-*
22 *didates, or other personnel at the location, and the*
23 *manner in which such screenings compare with*
24 *screenings required by the Department of Defense for*
25 *military recruits, service academy cadets, officer can-*

1 *didates, or other personnel at military service acces-*
2 *sion points.*

3 *(5) Whether the Coast Guard has assessed the*
4 *adequacy of behavioral health resources and services*
5 *for recruits, cadets, officer candidates, and other per-*
6 *sonnel at the location, and if so, the additional serv-*
7 *ices and resources (such as resilience and life skills*
8 *coaching), if any, needed to address any potential*
9 *gaps.*

10 *(6) The manner in which the Coast Guard man-*
11 *ages care transfers related to behavior health at the lo-*
12 *cation, including command and other management*
13 *input and privacy policies.*

14 *(7) The extent to which the Coast Guard has*
15 *evaluated contributing factors or reasons for behav-*
16 *ioral health crises experienced by newly enlisted per-*
17 *sonnel, cadets, officer candidates, or other personnel*
18 *at the location.*

19 *(8) The extent to which the Coast Guard has ad-*
20 *dressed, at the location, provider care staffing stand-*
21 *ards and credentialing deficiencies identified in the*
22 *report of the Comptroller General titled “Coast Guard*
23 *Health Care: Improvements Needed for Determining*
24 *Staffing Needs and Monitoring Access to Care”,*
25 *issued on February 4, 2022.*

1 (d) *REPORTS.*—*The Comptroller General shall submit*
2 *to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
3 *tation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation*
4 *and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives—*

5 (1) *as soon as practicable but not later than 1*
6 *year after the date of enactment of this Act, a report*
7 *relating to the results of the review conducted under*
8 *subsection (a) relating to Training Center Cape May,*
9 *including any recommendations the Comptroller Gen-*
10 *eral considers appropriate; and*

11 (2) *not later than 1 year after the date of enact-*
12 *ment of this Act—*

13 (A) *a report on the results of the review*
14 *conducted under subsection (a) relating to—*

15 (i) *the Coast Guard Academy, includ-*
16 *ing Officer Candidate School; and*

17 (ii) *other Coast Guard training loca-*
18 *tions, as applicable; and*

19 (B) *any recommendations the Comptroller*
20 *General considers appropriate.*

1 **SEC. 603. COMPTROLLER GENERAL STUDY ON COAST**
2 **GUARD EFFORTS TO REDUCE PREVALENCE**
3 **OF MISSING OR INCOMPLETE MEDICAL**
4 **RECORDS AND SHARING OF MEDICAL DATA**
5 **WITH DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
6 **AND OTHER ENTITIES.**

7 (a) *STUDY.*—Not later than 1 year after the date of
8 enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
9 States shall commence a study assessing the efforts of the
10 Commandant—

11 (1) *to reduce the prevalence of missing or incom-*
12 *plete medical records;*

13 (2) *to share medical data of members of the*
14 *Coast Guard with the Department of Veterans Affairs;*
15 *and*

16 (3) *to ensure that electronic health records are*
17 *provided in a format that is user friendly and easy*
18 *to access.*

19 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—In conducting the study under sub-
20 section (a), the Comptroller General shall review the fol-
21 lowing:

22 (1) *The steps the Commandant has taken to re-*
23 *duce the prevalence of missing or incomplete medical*
24 *records of members of the Coast Guard.*

25 (2) *How implementation of an electronic health*
26 *record system has affected the ability of the Com-*

1 *mandant to manage health records of members of the*
2 *Coast Guard, including—*

3 *(A) how the Commandant adds records*
4 *from private medical providers to the electronic*
5 *health record system;*

6 *(B) the progress of the Commandant toward*
7 *implementing the electronic health record system*
8 *in shipboard sick bays of the Coast Guard;*

9 *(C) how the Coast Guard shares medical*
10 *records with the Department of Veterans Affairs;*
11 *and*

12 *(D) any other matter the Comptroller Gen-*
13 *eral considers appropriate with respect to med-*
14 *ical record storage, use, and sharing and the as-*
15 *sociated consequences for member health and*
16 *well-being.*

17 *(3) The ability of members of the Coast Guard,*
18 *medical professionals of the Coast Guard and of the*
19 *Department of Defense, personnel of the Department*
20 *of Veterans Affairs, and other personnel to access and*
21 *search, as appropriate, the electronic health records of*
22 *individuals, including the ability to search or quickly*
23 *find information within electronic health records.*

24 *(c) REPORT.—Upon completion of the study under*
25 *subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall submit to the*

1 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
 2 *the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and In-*
 3 *frastructure of the House of Representatives a report con-*
 4 *taining the results of the study under subsection (a).*

5 **SEC. 604. COMPTROLLER GENERAL STUDY ON COAST**
 6 **GUARD TRAINING FACILITY INFRASTRUC-**
 7 **TURE.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
 9 *date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of*
 10 *the United States shall commence a study on Coast Guard*
 11 *training facility infrastructure, including the specific needs*
 12 *of the Coast Guard training facilities described in sub-*
 13 *section (c).*

14 *(b) ELEMENTS.—The study required under subsection*
 15 *(a) shall include the following:*

16 *(1) With respect to each Coast Guard training*
 17 *facility described in subsection (c)—*

18 *(A) a summary of capital needs, including*
 19 *construction and repair;*

20 *(B) a summary of equipment upgrade back-*
 21 *logs;*

22 *(C) an assessment of necessary improve-*
 23 *ments, including improvements to essential*
 24 *training equipment (including swimming pools,*
 25 *operational simulators, and marksmanship*

1 *training ranges) to enable the Coast Guard to*
2 *achieve all operational training objectives;*

3 *(D) a description of the resources necessary*
4 *to fully address all training needs;*

5 *(E) an assessment of any security defi-*
6 *ciency, including with respect to base access,*
7 *training facility access, and trainee berthing*
8 *area access;*

9 *(F) an identification of any exposed hazard*
10 *that does not serve a training purpose;*

11 *(G) an identification of the presence of haz-*
12 *ardous or toxic materials, including—*

13 *(i) lead-based paint;*

14 *(ii) asbestos or products that contain*
15 *asbestos;*

16 *(iii) black mold;*

17 *(iv) radon; and*

18 *(v) contaminated drinking water; and*

19 *(H) an assessment of the need for, and esti-*
20 *mated cost of, remediation of such toxic mate-*
21 *rials.*

22 *(2) An evaluation of the process used by the*
23 *Coast Guard to identify, monitor, and construct*
24 *Coast Guard training facilities.*

1 (c) COAST GUARD TRAINING FACILITIES DE-
2 SCRIBED.—*The Coast Guard training facilities described in*
3 *this subsection are the following:*

4 (1) *The Coast Guard Academy in New London,*
5 *Connecticut.*

6 (2) *The Leadership Development Center in New*
7 *London, Connecticut.*

8 (3) *Training Center Cape May, New Jersey.*

9 (4) *Training Center Petaluma, California.*

10 (5) *Training Center Yorktown, Virginia.*

11 (6) *The Maritime Law Enforcement Academy in*
12 *Charleston, South Carolina.*

13 (7) *The Special Missions Training Center at*
14 *Camp Lejeune in North Carolina.*

15 (8) *The Gulf Regional Fisheries Training Center*
16 *(GRFTC) in New Orleans, Louisiana.*

17 (9) *The North Pacific Regional Fisheries Train-*
18 *ing Center (NPRFTC) in Kodiak, Alaska.*

19 (10) *The Northeast Regional Fisheries Training*
20 *Center (NRFTC) at Cape Cod, Massachusetts.*

21 (11) *The Southeast Regional Fisheries Training*
22 *Center (SRFTC) in Charleston, South Carolina.*

23 (12) *The Pacific Regional Fisheries Training*
24 *Center (PRFTC) in Alameda, California.*

1 (13) *The National Motor Lifeboat School at Cape*
 2 *Disappointment, Washington.*

3 (14) *The Aviation Technical Training Center in*
 4 *Elizabeth City, North Carolina.*

5 (15) *The Aviation Training Center in Mobile,*
 6 *Alabama.*

7 (d) *REPORT.*—Not later than 1 year after commencing
 8 *the study required under subsection (a), the Comptroller*
 9 *General shall submit to the Committee on Commerce,*
 10 *Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Com-*
 11 *mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House*
 12 *of Representatives a report on the findings of the study.*

13 **SEC. 605. COMPTROLLER GENERAL STUDY ON COAST**
 14 **GUARD BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING.**

15 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the
 16 *date on which the Department of Defense issues the report*
 17 *on the Fourteenth Quadrennial Review of Military Com-*
 18 *pensation, the Comptroller General of the United States*
 19 *shall commence a study of Coast Guard involvement in, and*
 20 *efforts to support, the determination of the cost of adequate*
 21 *housing and the calculation of the basic allowance for hous-*
 22 *ing under section 403 of title 37, United States Code.*

23 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The study required under subsection
 24 (a) shall include, to the extent practicable, the following:

1 (1) *An identification of Coast Guard duty loca-*
2 *tions in which there is a misalignment between the*
3 *basic allowance for housing rate and the prevailing*
4 *housing cost for members of the Coast Guard such*
5 *that the basic allowance for housing is less than 95*
6 *percent of the monthly cost of adequate housing for*
7 *such members in the corresponding military housing*
8 *area.*

9 (2) *An analysis of each of the following:*

10 (A) *Anchor points, including—*

11 (i) *the methodology for the establish-*
12 *ment of anchor points; and*

13 (ii) *with respect to housing provided as*
14 *part of a public-private venture and Gov-*
15 *ernment-owned and Government-leased*
16 *housing, the disparities between established*
17 *anchor points and housing standards across*
18 *the armed forces (as such term is defined in*
19 *section 101 of title 10, United States Code).*

20 (B) *Existing military housing boundary*
21 *areas that affect the Coast Guard.*

22 (C) *Actions taken by the Commandant to*
23 *comprehensively monitor basic allowance for*
24 *housing rates for Coast Guard duty locations.*

1 (D) *The frequency of reviews conducted by*
2 *the Commandant of the site visits used by the*
3 *Department of Defense to inform military hous-*
4 *ing area boundaries.*

5 (c) *REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date on*
6 *which the study required under subsection (a) commences,*
7 *the Comptroller General shall submit to the Committee on*
8 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, the*
9 *Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the*
10 *House of Representatives, and the Commandant a report*
11 *on the findings of the study, including any recommendation*
12 *the Comptroller General considers appropriate.*

13 (d) *PLAN.—Not later than 1 year after the date on*
14 *which the report required by subsection (c) is submitted to*
15 *the Commandant, the Commandant shall submit to the*
16 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
17 *the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and In-*
18 *frastructure of the House of Representatives—*

19 (1) *an implementation plan, including time-*
20 *frames and milestones, addressing any recommenda-*
21 *tion made by the Comptroller General in such report,*
22 *as the Commandant considers appropriate; and*

23 (2) *with respect to any recommendation set forth*
24 *in such report that the Commandant declines to im-*
25 *plement, a written justification for the decision.*

1 (e) *ANCHOR POINT DEFINED.*—*In this section, the*
 2 *term “anchor point”*—

3 (1) *means the minimum housing standard ref-*
 4 *erence benchmark used to establish the basic allowance*
 5 *for housing under section 403 of title 37, United*
 6 *States Code; and*

7 (2) *includes housing type and size based on pay*
 8 *grade and dependent status.*

9 **SEC. 606. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT ON SAFETY**
 10 **AND SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE AT COAST**
 11 **GUARD ACADEMY.**

12 (a) *GAO REPORT.*—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 1 year after*
 14 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller*
 15 *General of the United States shall submit to the Com-*
 16 *mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of*
 17 *the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and*
 18 *Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a re-*
 19 *port on the safety and security infrastructure at the*
 20 *Coast Guard Academy.*

21 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—*The report required under*
 22 *paragraph (1) shall include an assessment of each of*
 23 *the following:*

24 (A) *Existing security infrastructure for the*
 25 *grounds, buildings, athletic facilities, and any*

1 *other facility of the Coast Guard Academy, in-*
2 *cluding access points, locks, surveillance, and*
3 *other security methods, as appropriate.*

4 *(B) Coast Guard policies with respect to the*
5 *management, data storage and access, and oper-*
6 *ational capacity of the security infrastructure*
7 *and methods evaluated under subparagraph (A).*

8 *(C) Special security needs relating to events*
9 *at the Coast Guard Academy, such as large ath-*
10 *letic events and other widely attended events.*

11 *(D) Coast Guard policies and procedures*
12 *with respect to access to Coast Guard Academy*
13 *grounds by—*

14 *(i) current or former members of the*
15 *Coast Guard;*

16 *(ii) current or former civilian employ-*
17 *ees of the Coast Guard;*

18 *(iii) Coast Guard personnel that reside*
19 *at the Academy and families of cadets; and*

20 *(iv) members of the public.*

21 *(E) Existing processes by which the Com-*
22 *mandant, the Superintendent of the Coast Guard*
23 *Academy, or a designated individual may pro-*
24 *hibit or restrict access to Coast Guard Academy*

1 *grounds by any current or former member or ci-*
2 *vilian employee of the Coast Guard who—*

3 *(i) has been subject to court-martial*
4 *under the Uniform Code of Military Justice*
5 *for sexual misconduct; or*

6 *(ii) has been administratively dis-*
7 *ciplined for sexual misconduct.*

8 *(F) Enforcement processes regarding access*
9 *to Coast Guard Academy grounds for individuals*
10 *(including current and former cadets, members,*
11 *and civilian employees of the Coast Guard) who*
12 *are or have been subject to a no-contact order re-*
13 *lating to—*

14 *(i) a cadet or member of the faculty of*
15 *the Academy; or*

16 *(ii) any other individual with access to*
17 *Academy grounds.*

18 *(G) Recommendations to improve—*

19 *(i) the security of the Coast Guard*
20 *Academy; and*

21 *(ii) the safety of—*

22 *(I) cadets at the Coast Guard*
23 *Academy; and*

1 (II) *members of the Coast Guard*
2 *stationed at, and civilian employees of,*
3 *the Coast Guard Academy.*

4 (b) *ACTIONS BY COMMANDANT.—*

5 (1) *REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the*
6 *date on which the Comptroller General submits the re-*
7 *port required under subsection (a), the Commandant*
8 *shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science,*
9 *and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee*
10 *on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of*
11 *Representatives a report that includes—*

12 (A) *a detailed plan to improve the security*
13 *of, and the safety of cadets at, the Coast Guard*
14 *Academy; and*

15 (B) *a detailed timeline for implementation*
16 *of—*

17 (i) *the recommendations made by the*
18 *Comptroller General in such report; and*

19 (ii) *any other safety improvement the*
20 *Commandant considers appropriate.*

21 (2) *POLICY.—Not later than 30 days after the*
22 *date on which the Comptroller General submits the re-*
23 *port required under subsection (a), the Commandant,*
24 *in a manner that maintains good order and dis-*
25 *cipline, shall update Coast Guard policy relating to*

1 *access to the Coast Guard Academy grounds to in-*
2 *clude procedures by which individuals may be prohib-*
3 *ited from accessing the Coast Guard Academy—*

4 *(A) as the Commandant considers appro-*
5 *priate; and*

6 *(B) consistent with the recommendations*
7 *made by the Comptroller General in such report.*

8 **SEC. 607. COMPTROLLER GENERAL STUDY AND REPORT ON**
9 **PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION PROCESS.**

10 *(a) STUDY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of*
11 *enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United*
12 *States shall commence a study to evaluate the effectiveness*
13 *of the permanent change of station process of the Coast*
14 *Guard.*

15 *(b) REPORT.—*

16 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after*
17 *commencing the study required by subsection (a), the*
18 *Comptroller General shall submit to the Committee on*
19 *Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate*
20 *and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastruc-*
21 *ture of the House of Representatives a report on the*
22 *findings of the study.*

23 *(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-*
24 *graph (1) shall include the following:*

1 (A) A description of the permanent change
2 of station policies of the Coast Guard.

3 (B) A description of Coast Guard spending
4 on permanent change of station moves and asso-
5 ciated support costs.

6 (C) An evaluation of the effectiveness of
7 using contracted movers for permanent change of
8 station moves, including the estimated costs asso-
9 ciated with—

10 (i) lost or damaged personal property
11 of members of the Coast Guard;

12 (ii) delays in scheduling such a move
13 through a contracted mover;

14 (iii) delayed delivery of household
15 goods; and

16 (iv) other related challenges.

17 (D) A review of changes to permanent
18 change of station policies implemented during
19 the 10-year period ending on the date of enact-
20 ment of this Act, and the costs or savings to the
21 Coast Guard directly associated with such
22 changes.

23 (E) Recommendations to improve the per-
24 manent change of station process of the Coast
25 Guard.

1 (F) Any additional information or related
 2 matter arising from the study, as the Com-
 3 troller General considers appropriate.

4 **TITLE VII—AMENDMENTS**

5 **SEC. 701. AMENDMENTS.**

6 (a) *PROHIBITION ON ENTRY AND OPERATION.*—Sec-
 7 tion 70022(b)(1) of title 46, United States Code, is amended
 8 by striking “Federal Register” and inserting “the Federal
 9 Register”.

10 (b) *PORT, HARBOR, AND COASTAL FACILITY SECU-*
 11 *RITY.*—Section 70116(b) of title 46, United States Code, is
 12 amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (1) by striking “terrorism
 14 cyber” and inserting “terrorism, cyber”; and

15 (2) in paragraph (2) by inserting a comma after
 16 “acts of terrorism”.

17 (c) *ENFORCEMENT BY STATE AND LOCAL OFFICERS.*—
 18 Section 70118(a) of title 46, United States Code, is amend-
 19 ed—

20 (1) by striking “section 1 of title II of the Act
 21 of June 15, 1917 (chapter 30; 50 U.S.C. 191)” and
 22 inserting “section 70051”; and

23 (2) by striking “section 7(b) of the Ports and
 24 Waterways Safety Act (33 U.S.C. 1226(b))” and in-
 25 serting “section 70116(b)”.

1 (d) *CHAPTER 701 DEFINITIONS.—Section 70131(2) of*
 2 *title 46, United States Code, is amended—*

3 (1) *by striking “section 1 of title II of the Act*
 4 *of June 15, 1917 (50 U.S.C. 191)” and inserting “sec-*
 5 *tion 70051”; and*

6 (2) *by striking “section 7(b) of the Ports and*
 7 *Waterways Safety Act (33 U.S.C. 1226(b))” and in-*
 8 *serting “section 70116(b)”.*

9 (e) *NOTICE OF ARRIVAL REQUIREMENTS FOR VESSELS*
 10 *ON THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—*

11 (1) *PREPARATORY CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—*
 12 *Section 70001 of title 46, United States Code, is*
 13 *amended by redesignating subsections (l) and (m) as*
 14 *subsections (m) and (n), respectively.*

15 (2) *TRANSFER OF PROVISION.—Section 704 of*
 16 *the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act*
 17 *2012 (Public Law 112–213; 46 U.S.C. 70001 note)*
 18 *is—*

19 (A) *amended by striking “of title 46, United*
 20 *States Code,”;*

21 (B) *amended by striking “(33 U.S.C. 1223*
 22 *note)” and inserting “(46 U.S.C. 70001 note)”;*

23 (C) *transferred to appear after 70001(k) of*
 24 *title 46, United States Code; and*

25 (D) *redesignated as subsection (l).*

1 (f) *TITLE 46.*—*Title 46, United States Code, is amend-*
 2 *ed as follows:*

3 (1) *Section 2101(2) is amended by striking “sec-*
 4 *tion 1” and inserting “section 101”.*

5 (2) *Section 2116(b)(1)(D) is amended by strik-*
 6 *ing “section 93(c)” and inserting “section 504(c)”.*

7 (3) *In the analysis for subtitle VII by striking*
 8 *the period after “70001” in the item relating to chap-*
 9 *ter 700.*

10 (4) *In the analysis for chapter 700 by striking*
 11 *the item relating to section 70006 and inserting the*
 12 *following:*

*“70006. Establishment by Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard
 is operating of anchorage grounds and regulations generally.”.*

13 (5) *In the heading for subchapter IV in the anal-*
 14 *ysis for chapter 700 by inserting a comma after*
 15 *“DEFINITIONS”.*

16 (6) *In the heading for subchapter VI in the anal-*
 17 *ysis for chapter 700 by striking “OF THE*
 18 *UNITED” and inserting “OF UNITED”.*

19 (7) *Section 70052(e)(1) is amended by striking*
 20 *“section 4197 of the Revised Statutes of the United*
 21 *States (46 U.S.C. App. 91)” and inserting “section*
 22 *60105”.*

23 (g) *OIL POLLUTION ACT OF 1990.*—*The Oil Pollution*
 24 *Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) is amended as follows:*

1 (1) *Section 1001 (33 U.S.C. 2701) is amended—*

2 (A) *in paragraph (32)(G) by striking*
3 *“pipeline” and all that follows through “offshore*
4 *facility” and inserting “pipeline, offshore facil-*
5 *ity”;*

6 (B) *in paragraph (39) by striking “section*
7 *101(20)(G)(i)” and inserting “section*
8 *101(20)(H)(i)”;*

9 (C) *in paragraph (40) by striking “section*
10 *101(20)(G)(ii)” and inserting “section*
11 *101(20)(H)(ii)”;*

12 (D) *) in paragraph (41) by striking “sec-*
13 *tion 101(20)(G)(iii)” and inserting “section*
14 *101(20)(H)(iii)”;*

15 (E) *in paragraph (42) by striking “section*
16 *101(20)(G)(iv)” and inserting “section*
17 *101(20)(H)(iv)”;*

18 (F) *in paragraph (43) by striking “section*
19 *101(20)(G)(v)” and inserting “section*
20 *101(20)(H)(v)”;* *and*

21 (G) *in paragraph (44) by striking “section*
22 *101(20)(G)(vi)” and inserting “section*
23 *101(20)(H)(vi)”.*

1 (2) *Section 1003(d)(6) (33 U.S.C. 2703(d)(6)) is*
2 *amended by striking “this paragraph” and inserting*
3 *“this subsection”.*

4 (3) *Section 1016 (33 U.S.C. 2716) is amended—*

5 *(A) by redesignating subsections (e) through*
6 *(i) as subsections (d) through (h), respectively;*
7 *and*

8 *(B) in subsection (e)(1)(B), as redesignated*
9 *by subparagraph (A), by striking “subsection*
10 *(e)” and inserting “subsection (d)”.*

11 (4) *Section 1012(b)(2) (33 U.S.C. 2712(b)(2)) is*
12 *amended by striking “section 1016(f)(1)” and insert-*
13 *ing “section 1016(e)(1)”.*

14 (5) *Section 1005(b)(5)(B) (33 U.S.C.*
15 *2716(b)(5)(B)) is amended by striking “section*
16 *1016(g)” and inserting “section 2716(f)”.*

17 (6) *Section 1018(c) (33 U.S.C. 2718(c)) is*
18 *amended by striking “the Act of March 3, 1851 (46*
19 *U.S.C. 183 et seq.)” and inserting “chapter 305 of*
20 *title 46, United States Code”.*

21 (7) *Section 7001(h)(1) (33 U.S.C. 2761(h)(1)) is*
22 *amended by striking “subsection (c)(4)” and inserting*
23 *“subsection (e)(4)”.*

1 (h) *HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES IMPROVEMENT ACT OF*
 2 1998.—Section 303 of the *Hydrographic Services Improve-*
 3 *ment Act of 1998 (33 U.S.C. 892a) is amended—*

4 (1) *in subsection (a) by striking “this Act” and*
 5 *inserting “this title”; and*

6 (2) *in subsection (b)—*

7 (A) *by striking “this Act” and inserting*
 8 *“this title”; and*

9 (B) *by striking “subchapter VI of chapter*
 10 *10” and inserting “chapter 11”.*

11 (i) *CHAPTER 5.—*

12 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Chapter 5 of title 14, United*
 13 *States Code, is amended by redesignating the second*
 14 *section 548 (relating to Marking anchorage grounds*
 15 *by Commandant of the Coast Guard) as section 551.*

16 (2) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for*
 17 *chapter 5 of title 14, United States Code, is amended*
 18 *by inserting after the item relating to section 550 the*
 19 *following:*

“551. Marking anchorage grounds by Commandant of the Coast Guard.”.

20 (j) *SECTION 807.—Section 807 of the Frank Lobiondo*
 21 *Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018 (14 U.S.C. 313*
 22 *note) is amended by striking “District 9” and inserting*
 23 *“Great Lakes District”.*

24 (k) *SECTION 324.—Section 324 of title 14, United*
 25 *States Code, as so redesignated, by striking “Seventeenth*

- 1 *Coast Guard District” and inserting “Coast Guard Arctic*
- 2 *District” each place it appears.*

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